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Behind Scenes at Hangchow

SINO-JAPANESE COMMENT

Shanghai, To-day.

Both the Chinese and Japanese newspapers in Shanghai this morning devote considerable attention to the conference at Hangchow, where Chinese provincial governors and high officials are meeting.

The presence of so many military leaders is regarded by Chinese commentators as encouraging signs of military unity, which augurs well for the prospects of "national salvation."

The Japanese press agrees that the conference is most significant and suggests that its deliberations confirm "preparation of a first line of defence against Japan."

The "Shanghai Nippo" declares that plans for co-operation between the former north-eastern army, which has now been transferred to Honan and Anhwei and the troops of General Han Fu-chu, Governor of Shantung, are being discussed. — Reuter.

THE BEARDMORE STRIKE

TRADE UNION ADVISES PEACE

London, To-day.

The strike of 2,000 metal workers in the Beardmore plant in Glasgow was discussed by the executive committee of the National Trade Unions yesterday.

The committee later advised the strikers to resume work but it seems doubtful whether they will comply.

The Beardmore plant affected is mainly engaged in manufacturing howitzers for the British army.—Trans-Ocean.

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JARRING CRASH AS SHIP FALLS SIX FEET ON ROCK

After being reported in serious difficulty after running aground a mile south-west of Saw Chau Island yesterday, the "Kong Ning" limped into Hong Kong at 9 o'clock this monring under her own steam

"THE SHIP PASSED COMPLETELY OVER ONE ROCK AND SETTLED ON ANOTHER. NATURALLY DROPPING AS SHE DID FROM ABOUT SIX FEET, QUITE A LOT OF DAMAGE WAS SUSTAINED, BUT FORTUNATELY THE BOTTOM DOES NOT APPEAR TO HAVE ACTUALLY BEEN PIERCED ALTHOUGH IT WAS PUSHED UP AND VARIOUS SMALL LEAKS WERE SPRUNG, IN THE FORE HOLD."

"WHEN THESE WERE STOPPED, WATER CAME IN, AND IS STILL COMING IN, AT THE RATE OF ABOUT FOUR INCHES AN HOUR. THE PUMPS ARE STILL IN OPERATION BUT NO ONE HAS BEEN PARTICULARLY INCONVENIENCED," SAID THE CHIEF OFFICER OF THE S.S. KONG NING, WHEN INTERVIEWED ON BOARD THE VESSEL AT THE HOI ON WHARF.

"At one time we thought that a panic would result. The big bump and the close proximity of the rocks which loomed through the darkness, gave all the passengers a severe shaking up and for a short while they milled around the boat and some of them even suggested launching the life-boats.

PASSENGERS QUIETEN

"It was for this reason that we sent out the S.O.S. and at the same time, sent up rockets.

"In not more than 15 minutes, one of the small Kongmoon steamers was standing by, but by this time the passengers had been thoroughly reassured and stated that they had no desire to be transhipped, as this would have meant a trip to Kongmoon. We, accordingly, sent a message to our Hong Kong office and they sent out a special launch to take off the passengers who now showed a reluctance to leave and, had actually to be forced into doing so.

CREW BEHAVED ADMIRABLY

"The crew behaved admirably throughout and were remarkably cool and collected during a trying period."

The Kong Ning was carrying 187 passengers and officers and crew numbering 70 when the mishap occurred. No-one was injured in any way.

Owned by the West River Transportation and Trading Co., the "Kong Ning" is a vessel of 1,086 tons under the command of Captain McCarthy.

She ran aground while on her way to Wuchow, on the West River, after leaving Hong Kong at 6 o'clock yesterday evening.

Although a destroyer, H.M.S. Daring, was ordered to stand by, her services were not called upon and No. 4 Police launch was the only vessel to go to her assistance.

Congress Declares War

New Delhi, To-day.

Giant demonstrations, a general strike and the closing of all shops have been organised by the Congress Party to usher in the new Indian Constitution, which comes into force to-day.

The Calcutta Corporation has passed a resolution for closing of the Corporation's offices and schools for the day as a protest against the Constitution.

The leading newspapers are also observing a hartal (strike).

To counter-act these plans, a police order has been issued promising police help to anyone compelled to cease work against his will.

The latest Province to form a cabinet is Assam, where a coalition has been established consisting of two Muslims, one Hindu and one Indian Christian and formed under Sir Syed Muhammad Sa'Adulla, member of the Assam Legislative Council.—Reuter.

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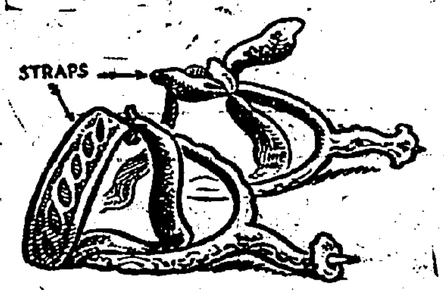

THE ANCIENT SPURS—EMBLEMS OF CHIVALRY, PRESERVED FOR CENTURIES—WERE SOLD BY THE COMMONWEALTH FOR £1.13.4 AND WERE LOST!

THE SPURS NOW USED AT CORONATIONS WERE MADE IN THE REIGN OF CHARLES II. THEY ARE OF SOLID GOLD, WITH STRAPS OF CRIMSON VELVET. AFTER BEING HANDED TO THE KING, AT THE CORONATION, THE SPURS ARE REPLACED UPON THE ALTAR.

THE PERSECUTION OF THE CHRISTIANS BY THE ROMAN EMPEROR DIOCLETIAN CAUSED ST. GEORGE TO CONFESS THE CHRISTIAN FAITH, AND HE WAS TORTURED AND PUT TO DEATH IN THE YEAR 303. ALTHOUGH HIS NAME WAS HELD SACRED FROM THE TIME OF HIS MARTYRDOM IT WAS NOT UNTIL 1350 THAT ST. GEORGE WAS MADE PATRON SAINT OF ENGLAND.

THE DRAGON SYMBOLIZES THE BRUTALITY OF PAGANISM.

AND THE BRACELETS.

DESIGN ON BADGE OF THE ORDER OF THE GARTER

FOR THOUSANDS OF YEARS BRACELETS HAVE BEEN THE MARK OF KINGSHIP. WHEN SAUL, KING OF ISRAEL WAS SLAIN IN BATTLE HIS CROWN AND BRACELET WERE BROUGHT TO KING DAVID. IN PERSIA, AT THE PRESENT DAY, THE SHAH AND HIS SONS ARE THE ONLY MEN PERMITTED TO WEAR BRACELETS.

BISHOP AND DIVORCE

Favours Extension Of Grounds

ANOTHER OPPOSED

Extension of the grounds for divorce is in the interest of public morality, declares the Bishop of Chichester (Dr. G. K. A. Bell).

Commenting in the "Chichester Diocesan Gazette" on Mr. A. P. Herbert's Marriage Bill, he writes:—

"We regret the deletion of the conciliation procedure, and we deeply regret the retention of the cruelty clause, for in the entire absence of any definition of cruelty in the Bill in its present form, it seems to open too wide a door.

"The Church's rule binds the members of the Church most firmly, and no civil legislation can be allowed to determine the law or the practice of the Church."

On the other hand, the Bishop of Gloucester expresses the opinion in his diocesan magazine that "the extension of opportunity for divorce is a mistake."

"There will always be some unhappy marriages and some difficult ones," he says. "The reformers think that by making the laws of divorce lax they will do away with these. I believe that the contrary is the truth."

"STARVATION WAGES"—£3,000

Irish Free State Ministers will vote themselves handsome increases in salary to take effect after the next election—probably in June. The new President will get £2,500 a year, £1,000 more than now.

There is a plan to increase pay to Judges by 10 per cent. The Chief Justice is paid £4,000 a year, five Supreme Court Judges £3,000 each.

These "starvation" wages make it difficult for Judges to live up to a reasonable standard, it is argued.

The B. I. Steam Ship Shirala will leave for Amoy, Shanghai, Moji, Kobe and Osaka to-day at 5 p.m.

HONG KONG AND NEW ERA IN TRANSPORT OF FREIGHT

Hong Kong recently formed a link in a remarkable example of the long-distance transport of urgent freight by a combination of air and surface routes.

The consignment consisted of some machinery parts. This consignment began its journey in Norway and finished it at a sea-port in Japan. The first stage was from Norway to Newcastle by sea. Then the load came from Newcastle to London by rail and, was handed over to Imperial Airways.

By flying-boat and land-planes it was air-borne over the India route to Penang, and from here it was flown over the Penang-Hong Kong air-line. On arriving at Hong Kong it was transferred from air to sea, finishing its long journey in a steamer from Hong Kong to Japan.

Another example, the other day, was that of some spare-parts required urgently by a steamer lying at a port on the Persian Gulf. This consignment came down from Scotland by train and then went aboard an air-liner of Imperial Airways, being flown over the India route to its destination in the Persian Gulf.

BEAUTY QUEEN THIEF

Good-looking, thirty-six-year-old Sofia Kulcsar, of Budapest, has just scored her tenth election as a beauty queen—and her fiftieth conviction.

When she appeared to receive an ovation as Queen of Beauty at a ball, detectives also stepped on to the platform and arrested her on a charge of picking pockets.

After forty-nine previous convictions for similar offences had been proved, the Court sentenced her to one year's imprisonment.

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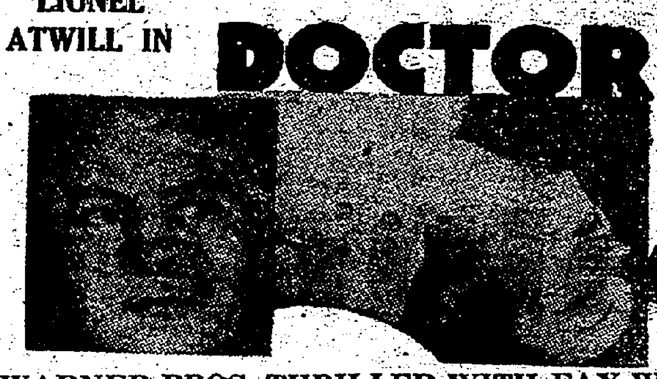

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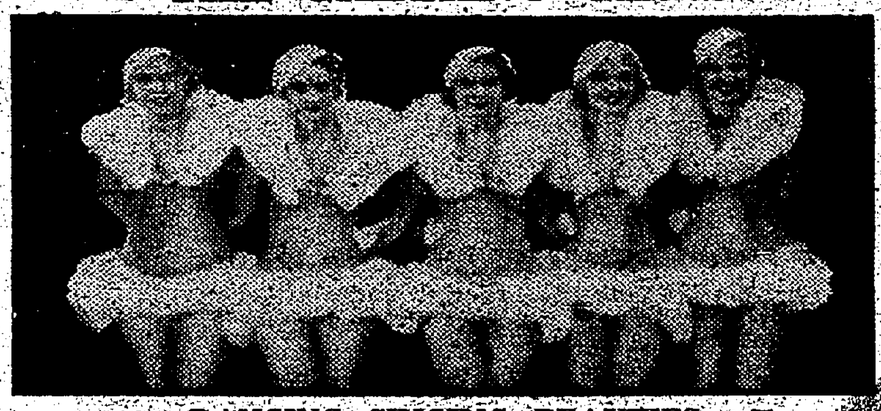

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The Examinations are held in 300 centres throughout the world, and therefore these successes should be very encouraging to Hong Kong Students.

KING'S MESSAGE TO INDIA

INAUGURATION OF CONSTITUTION

London, To-day.

The King's Message to India on the occasion of the inauguration of provincial autonomy on April 1 assures his Indian subjects that his thoughts and good wishes are with them on this occasion.

The Message adds that a new chapter is opening "and it is my fervent hope and prayer that the opportunities now available for them will be used wisely for the lasting benefit of all my Indian people." — Reuter.

PROCESSIONS BANNED

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The corporation has decided to close all offices and schools as a similar protest.

Meanwhile, Mohammed Yunus, leader of the Moslem Independents, has formed a Ministry in Behar Province, says a message from Putna.—Reuter.

Aden's Separation

Another effect of the constitutional changes in India is the ending after nearly a hundred years of connection of Aden with the British Indian administration.

Aden now becomes part of the Colonial empire but as the King states in a message sent to the Governor and Commander-in-Chief on the inauguration of the Colony: "The ties of commerce and personal association with India will remain."—British Wireless.

Silver Mace For Burma Senate

On the inauguration of the new constitution in Burma, the Viceroy of India, Lord Linlithgow, has presented a silver mace to the Senate in Burma as marking the separation from India and a token of his confident hope that, "in years to come. Burma may have cause for thankfulness that the direction of her public affairs is founded on the Parliamentary system of government."—British Wireless.

ELEVEN PROVINCES

To-day is the appointed day under the Government of India Act, for the inauguration of autonomy in eleven provinces of British India and the separation of Burma from India.

On this occasion, the King has appointed as Governor of Burma, Sir Archiball Cochrane, K.C.M.G.

Provincial autonomy henceforth obtains over two-thirds of the total area of India and affects directly a total population of over 290,000,000. It involves the setting up of a ministry in each of the eleven provinces, responsible to an elected legislature, for a large and clearly defined sphere of government in which the Central Government will have no say.

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Studio Recital By Winifred Lawson

To-day's Wireless

"The Table Under The Tree" Play From London

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12.30-2.15 p.m.—European Programme.
12.30 p.m.—Pianoforte Recital by Benno Moiseivitch, With Songs by Mavis Bennett (Soprano).
1 p.m.—Local: Time Signal and Weather Report.
1.03 p.m.—Light Orchestral Music.
1.30 p.m.—Reuter Press, Rugby Press; Local: Weather Forecast, Time and Announcements.
1.40 p.m.—A Light Recital by Webster Booth (Tenor).
1.53 p.m.—Debroy Somers Band.
2.15 p.m.—Close Down.
5-8 p.m.—European Programme.
5 p.m.—Relay of Dance Music from the Hong Kong Hotel Roof-Garden.
6 p.m.—From the Studio.
A Children's Concert.
6.30 p.m.—A Military Band Concert.
Clarinet Concerto No. 1 (Weber).
Garde Republicaine Band of France.
Bells of St. Mary's (Adams),
Annie Laurie.
Gladys Watkins (Carillon).
Swastika March (Klohr),
Entry of the Boyards (Halvorsen, arr. Winterbottom).
Band of H. M. Coldstream Guards.
Rokoko Love Song (Meyer — Helmund),
Had you but known (Denza — Bruggemann).
Richard Tauber (Tenor).
Ship Ahoy March (arr. MacKenzie),
Sea Songs Medley (No. 3), (arr. Vaughan Williams).
Massed Bands of the Royal Marines.
(a) Piece en forme d'Habanera (Ravel—Le Duc),
(b) Study in Thirds (Scriabin, arr. Szigeti).
Joseph Szigeti (Violin).
The Jolly Roger (Dewar—McCall).
Peter Dawson (Bass-Baritone).
Sing a Song (Iles).
Massed Bands.
7.15 p.m.—Renara at the Piano.
Gershwin Medley.
"Two For Tonight" Piano Medley.
Miracles sometimes happen.
7.30 p.m.—Closing local Stock Quotations and Hong Kong Exchange Market Report.
7.35 p.m.—By the Sleepy Lagoon (Eric Coates), played by Eric Coates and Symphony Orchestra.
7.40 p.m.—From the Studio.
A Recital by Winifred Lawson (Soprano), Lindsay A. Lafford at the Piano.
Group I
French Songs—
1. Jeunes Fillettes. arr. Weckerlin.
2. Mon Hameau.
3. Le coeur de Mamie. Jacques Dalcroze.
4. Le Grand. Theo Botrel.

Group II
English Songs—
1. One Morning so early. Diack.
2. The Spring has come. M. Valerie White.
3 Our little home. Eric Coates.

8 p.m.—Local: Time Signal, Weather Report and Announcements.
8.03 p.m.—From the Studio.
A Talk by Lee Wai Tong on Football. (Chinese).
8.25 p.m.—A Relay from the Lee Theatre (Chinese).
11 p.m.—Close Down.
8.05-11 p.m.—European Programme from ZEK.
8.05 p.m.—Variety.
Organ Solo—
Six Great Melodies—No. 2, Harold Ramsay.
Vocal—
Empty Saddles.....Bing Crosby.
Twilight Serenade Clarrie Wright.
Instrumental—
Wedding Chimes,
The Brothers Bertini (Banjo and Guitar Duet).
Vocal—
Time on my hands..Denny Dennis.
I've got you under my skin, Frances Day.
Instrumental—Serenata,
La Argentina (Castanets Solo).
Vocal—
Melody Trumps No. 2, The Four Aces.
Hawaiian—
Tropical Hulas,
On the dreamy Moana shore, South Sea Islanders.
Variety—
Sandy Powell's 1936 Road Show, Sandy Powell and Company.
Organ Solo—
Fifty Years of Song, Terence Casey.
8.55 p.m.—London — News and Announcements.
9.15 p.m.—London — Viennese Waltzes (Recorded)
9.23 p.m. — London — "Food for Thought"—Three Short Talks on Matters of Topical Interest. (Electrical Recording).
9.45 p.m.—Leslie Jeffries and His Orchestra.
Le Cygne (The Swan), (Saint-Saens).
Dance of the Icicles (Kennedy Russell),
The Frolicsome Hare (Ashworth Hope).
Springtime Serenade (Jonny Heykens),
The Balkan Princess (Paul A. Rubens).
10 p.m.—London — Big Ben. "The Table under the Tree." Written by Wilfrid Reeke-Ley. Produced by A. W. Hanson. With music played by Walford Hyden and his Orchestra. (Electrical Recording).
10.47 p.m.—Jack Hylton and His Orchestra.
Fox-Trot—
Unbelievable,
Drop in next time you're passing.
Did you mean it?
Waltz—
Have you forgotten so soon?
11 p.m.—Close down.

BRIDGE NOTES

By ELY CULBERTSON

Refusing A Free Finesse

When a partnership has reached a contract of three no-trump and a small card has been led of the suit in which the declarer holds the Ace in the dummy and the Queen in his own hand, natural impulse, all other things being equal, is to play low and hope to win a trick with the Queen on the first round or to establish the Queen as a trick winner for a later round provided third hand holds the King. This is a sound principle but is subject to modification, particularly in cases where there is an unopened suit, the leading of which by either adversary would make impossible the fulfilment of the contract. In such cases as that the declarer, of course, takes careful stock of his combined resources to determine if there is a possible manner of fulfilling his contract by refusing the "free finesse."

The hand below, which was sent to me by Mr. E. C. Welsh of Kansas City, Mo., is an example where South, if he permits East to win the first trick, cannot fulfil his contract because the powerful element of time will then be in favour of the defending side.

South, dealer.
Neither side vulnerable.

NORTH
S—A 7 3
H—Q J 7 2
D—A 10
C—A 8 5 3

WEST
—J 6 5 2
—K 6 4 3
—K Q 5
—10 9

EAST
S—K 10
H—5
D—J 9 8 7 6 4
C—J 6 4 2

SOUTH
S—Q 9 3 4
H—A 10 9 8
D—3 2
C—K Q 7

South reached, through what means I do not know, a contract of three no-trump., I assume that North must have opened with the padded bid of one club rather than one no-trump and that south responded with two no-trump, which North raised to three. However, the bidding is not in question. Interest in the hand centres entirely in the day.

West's opening lead was the spade 2, and when South took stock of his resources he noted the doubleton diamond Ace in the dummy and a doubeton diamond in his own hand. If East won the spade trick a switch to diamonds and the driving out of the Ace on the second round would follow almost as a matter of course. South could count three sure heart tricks and possibly four, depending on a club break, one spade and one diamond. If he got but three heart tricks then his chance of making game would depend upon either some play yet to be determined or on a break in the club suit. The game-making trick might be made by the Queen of spades in the South hand, dependent upon the line of defence. If not, why then there was some chance of some future mistake by the opponents or some favourable break in the suit.

The Ace in dummy was played to the first trick, and the heart finesse immediately taken. West won, and noting also the diamond situation, now laid down the diamond King. South declined to win, but the Queen was continued, as East had given an encouraging signal in the diamond suit, and the Ace was forced out. South now ran three established hearts, and East, who held the spade King and protection against the running of four clubs, was forced to make three diamond discards. East was now placed in the lead with the spade King and cashed his remaining diamond, but the Declarer then made the balance of the tricks with the Ace, King and Queen of clubs and the Queen of spades.

It is quite true that South could not have anticipated the entire line of play which developed but it is equally true that the play he adopted gave the greater opportunity for success.

What's On At the Cinemas

AT THE QUEEN'S—"15 Maiden Lane", an onslaught on the vaults of the world's greatest jewellery centre forms the basis, with Cesar Romero, Claire Trevor, Douglas Fowley and Robert McWade taking part.

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AT THE MAJESTIC—A double feature programme and stage attraction. The films "Man Against Woman" and "Doctor X" will be screened while the Gaetano Girls will be on the stage.

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AT THE KING'S "Satan Met A Lady", with Bette Davis, Warren William, Alison Skipworth, Arthur Treacher and Winifred Shaw. A new thriller from the author of "The Thin Man" which will keep you in laughter from start to finish.

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AT THE ORIENTAL—"My Man Godfrey", with Carole Lombard and William Powell. A brilliant modern romantic comedy in which Powell has the part of a butler and Carole Lombard, the headstrong daughter of the house hold.

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AT THE ALHAMBRA—"Outcast", with Warren William, Lewis Stone, and Karen Morley. A stirring drama of woman's lust for vengeance and the fury of a mob whipped into frenzy by small town bigotry.

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AT THE STAR — "Thank You, Jeeves", with Arthur Treacher, David Niven and Virginia Field. A typical Wodehouse tale, made funnier than ever by its adaption to the screen.

COMING PICTURES

"Avenging Waters"—with Ken Maynard, Beth Marion and Ward Bond. A roaring romance of the west packed with spine-thrilling adventures. Coming to the Alhambra.

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"White Hunter"—with Warner Baxter and June Lang in a thrilling story of two people amid the menace of savage passions. Coming to the Queen's.

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"Mind Your Own Business."— With Charles Ruggles, Alice Brady, Lyle Talbot, Benny Baker and Frankie Darro. The tale of a nature writer who has been in his bonnet as well as his column and a wife who gets him into a tangle that it takes a general alarm to unravel. Coming to the Queen's.

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"Hearts Divided," — with Marion Davies, Dick Powell, Claude Rains, Charles Ruggles, and Edward Everett Horton. Prince Jerome Bonaparte defies his brother, the Emperor Napoleon, for the love of his Baltimore sweetheart, Betty Patterson. Coming to the Oriental.

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"Craig's Wife"—with Rosalind Russell and John Boles. The Pulitzer Prize play. The story of a woman who lived for the strongest love ever conceived and makes you hate her as you never hated a screen player before. Coming to the King's Theatre.

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"Pennies From Heaven"—with Bing Crosby, Madge Evans, Edith Fellows and Louis Armstrong. The gayest fun-show of the new season. Coming to the King's.

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The first wedding ceremony to be conducted on a speeding train of the Kowloon-Canton Railway took place on Tuesday, while the K.C.R. express was travelling from Canton to Kowloon. The couple thus uniquely wed were Mr. Wu Wing-hong and Miss Choy Wai-man.

Another Defeat For Italian Troops

Madrid, To-day.

A communique issued at noon yesterday reports that the Government troops have captured several important strategical positions dominating the insurgent line near Saelices, on the Guadalajara front.

THE ACTION WAS A CONTINUATION OF THE ADVANCE IN WHICH MIRALRIC, NORTH-WEST OF BRIHUEGA, WAS CAPTURED.

SEVERAL AIR SQUADRONS COLLABORATED IN BOMBING THE INSURGENTS' REAR.

ON THE CORDOBA FRONT, INTENSE FIGHTING NORTH-WEST OF POZO BLANCO RESULTED LATE YESTERDAY IN THE CAPTURE BY THE GOVERNMENT FORCES OF VILLA NUEVA, A JUNCTION WHICH WAS SURROUNDED BY INFANTRY FROM THREE DIRECTIONS AND SUBJECTED TO INTENSE AIR BOMBARDMENT.

The defence was conducted by Italian troops, many of whom were captured.

The Government claims that 340 lorries bringing reinforcements and supplies for the rebels have been either destroyed from the air or captured since the beginning of the week.

FIRMER GRIP

Their new positions west of Pozo Blanco give the Government troops a firmer grip on an important general centre, including the Almaden mercury mines.

The insurgents have expelled 300 women residents of San Sebastian to Government territory by ship.

The refugees report a food shortage in San Sebastian.

Meanwhile, from Salamanca it is reported that the rebel offensive on the Basque front started yesterday.

DANCER SENTENCED

A message from Barcelona states that the People's Tribunal has sentenced the 25-year-old French dancer, Jeanne Georgel, also known as Vera Verenitch, to twenty-years' imprisonment on a charge of espionage for the Burgos Government.

The French freighter "Cap Paclon" was stopped off Santander by a shell fired across her bows by an insurgent warship yesterday.

The freighter, which was carrying a cargo of wire and cork bark, was allowed to proceed after her nationality had been established.

GEN. BURBUETE DEAD

The death is reported in Valencia of General Burbuete, one of the outstanding figures in the Republican army.

General Burbuete was a former commander of the Guardia Civile and High Commissioner in Spanish Morocco. — Reuter and Trans-Ocean.

FRANCE ALSO WARNS GEN. FRANCO

INTERFERENCE WITH SHIPPING

Paris, To-day.

The Foreign Minister, M. Yvon Delbos, informed the Council of Ministers yesterday that strict instructions have been given to French shipping and that the French Government, like the British Government, has seriously warned both Spanish parties to abstain from all measures contrary to maritime law.

He added that negotiations would shortly be resumed for an agreement to recall volunteers from Spain, and a satisfactory solution might be hoped for as certain Powers which had previously been reluctant to discuss the question, were now more conciliatory. M. Delbos also stated that France had entered into negotiations with Portugal for re-establishment of communications by land and sea between the two countries, and that the negotiations were proceeding amicably.—Reuter and Trans-Ocean.

Control Scheme Board Meeting

London, To-day.

The Board of Administration for the control scheme under the non-intervention agreement, which has been meeting during Easter, held a further meeting to-day.

The Board is engaged upon technical work, such as the posting of observers at different ports and patrols for sea observation and along the frontiers for land observation.

It is expected that the scheme will come into full operation toward the end of next week.—British Wireless.

Queen's Coronation Gown

London, To-day.

The Queen visited a firm of Bond Street dressmakers this afternoon to inspect the progress of embroidery work on her Coronation gown.—British Wireless.

No Intention Of Sending Fresh Troops

RECENT DEFEAT CLAIMED TO BE GREATLY EXAGGERATED

Rome, To-day.

A strong denial that Italy had sent further volunteers to Spain, coupled with a definite statement that she would re-examine her attitude with regard to the civil war unless other nations fulfilled their non-intervention obligations, was made by the Minister for Propaganda, Signor Dino Alfieri, to foreign newspaper correspondents in Rome yesterday.

Signor Alfieri also denied that Italian troops were standing by in preparation to being transported to Spain.

He referred to the Guadalajara fighting and said the reports of a big Italian defeat overstated the facts.

"The reports of Italian losses in Spain have been much exaggerated," he continued.

"They amounted, not to thousands, but only to some hundreds of dead and wounded."

NO CHANGE IN ATTITUDE

Italy's attitude to the Spanish civil war had in no way been changed but she insisted that the non-intervention measures, especially the control regulations adopted by the London committee, be applied generally and by all nations.

"Should other nations continue to send volunteers to Spain in open violation of their obligations, Italy will also be compelled to re-examine her attitude," were his final warning words.—Trans-Ocean.

HSU SHIK-YING'S RESIGNATION

Shanghai, To-day.

Mr. Hsu Shik-ying, Chinese Ambassador to Japan, is going to Hangchow to-morrow, to hand his resignation to Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek personally. The sole reason for his resignation is his suggestion that he is too old for such a responsible position.—*Our Own Correspondent.*

Spanish Embargo

Paris, To-day.

The embargo on Spanish iron pyrites recently announced by General Franco is causing some embarrassment in French industrial circles, says a financial newspaper.

Present supplies in France will last for three months at the most.—Trans-Ocean.

MYSTERY LETTERS MURDER IN REICH

POLICE STILL WITHOUT SOLUTION

SLAYER'S NOTES

STUTTGART, TO-DAY.

THE GERMAN POLICE, WHO HAVE BEEN TRYING SINCE LAST SEPTEMBER TO SOLVE ONE OF EUROPE'S STRANGEST MURDER CASES, ARE STILL BAFFLED.

On September 18 last year the body of a young woman was found on a lonely country road near here.

The next morning the police received a letter from the alleged murderer.

The letter gave details of the murder, an apology and a sum of money for flowers for the victim's funeral.

A few days later a second letter arrived with further explanations of the crime and an additional sum of money to cover the funeral expenses.

THIRD LETTER

Now, six months after the crime had been perpetrated, the police have received a third letter enclosing the sum of fifty reichsmarks to pay for a tombstone.

The alleged murderer wound up his astonishing behaviour by enclosing a design and inscription for the tombstone.—Trans-Ocean.

The third annual united service of Christian witness attracted a large attendance to the open air gathering in Nathan Road during Easter, the service being conducted by the Rev. J. R. Higgs. The Bishop (the Rt. Rev. R. O. Hall) delivered an address which was translated into Chinese by Mr. Tsang Koon-kuk.

WAR MINISTER GOING TO LONDON

For Franco-British Association Meetings

London, To-day.

The French War Minister, M. Edouard Daladier, is to visit London from April 22 to April 25.

M. Daladier will participate in the meeting of the Franco-British Association to be held in London.—Trans-Ocean.

Swiss Newspaper Banned In Italy

Basle, To-day.

"Owing to its lying reports disturbing the friendly relations between Italy and Switzerland" the "Neue Basler Zeitung" has been banned in Italy.—Trans-Ocean.

Sir George Clerk's Retirement

Paris, To-day.

The British Ambassador in Faris, Sir George Clerk, who has announced his resignation from the post, is leaving Paris for the last time on Monday.—Trans-Ocean.

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Ludendorft As Nazi Convert

Berlin, To-day.

The reconciliation between Herr Hitler and Field-Marshal Ludendorff, Germany's famous war-time leader, which took place at Munich on Tuesday, is commented upon extensively in the Nazi press.

The "Essener National Zeitung," which usually voices the views of General Hermann Goering, recalls that for years Field-Marshal Ludendorff bore the reputations of being an opponent of Herr Hitler and was considered as the main hope of that section of German opinion which secretly hoped for a change in regime.

The Field-Marshal, says the paper, has now declared himself in favour of the Nazi State.

The "Frankfurter Volksblatt" emphasises that all soldiers of Nazi Germany can now acknowledge their attachment to the Field-Marshal, since the latter has declared himself to be completely in favour of the Third Reich.

"The name of Ludendorff," says the paper, "can never be eradicated in the annals of Nazi Germany."

Another paper calls Field-Marshal Ludendorff's action an "historic event."—Trans-Ocean.

CABINET TAKING HOLIDAY

Mr. Anthony Eden Back At Desk

London, To-day.

The Foreign Secretary was at work again to-day at the Foreign Office after the Easter holiday.

The First Lord of Admiralty and the Minister of Labour were also at their desks but other Ministers are still absent from London.

The Prime Minister is not expected back in Downing Street until Sunday night.—British Wireless.

The s.s. "Ranchi" left Shanghai for this Port on the 30th instant at 8 p.m. and is due here to-morrow at about 6 a.m.

SAIGON-PARIS FLIGHT

Pissavy And Cornet's Bid For Record

Allahabad, To-day.

The French airmen, Pissavy and Cornet, arrived here at 6.30 yesterday evening and were to resume their flight to Paris at midnight if conditions were favourable.

Attempting to set a record for the Saigon-Paris flight, they flew from Saigon to Allahabad in just over twenty-four hours.

The airmen set out from Paris last month to fly to Tokyo in under 100 hours but stopped at Saigon after a very slow flight. Now they are attempting to set up a new Saigon-Paris record, though no prize is attached to the flight.—Reuter.

NEW STAFF EXPERT FOR H.K. FORCES

Col. G. C. Gowland's Appointment

London, To-day.

Colonel G. C. Gowland has been appointed Engineer-in-Chief to the British troops in China and is assuming his new appointment shortly.—Reuter.

Since 1934, Colonel Gowland has been Deputy Engineer-in-Chief under Major-General H. S. Gaskell, the Engineer-in-Chief of the Army in India.

Chung Pui, a coolie at the Taikoo Sugar refinery, was admitted to the G. C. H. suffering from the effects of burns to his face when some acid fell over him.

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TWO TO FOUR—

Is The Irritable Age Of Childhood

JUST what is wrong? Watch yourself and you'll find it easier to understand what makes the child so unhappy and irritable. First of all, the baby has just outgrown babyhood. He has emerged from the period when he was carried about, fed by his parents, taken to the toilet, put to bed for naps and for the night, and into his playpen or pram for his recreation. In fact, the child has been ordered around like a little automaton from birth until now.

CONSTANT CONFLICT

At about eighteen months, for the usual child, he blooms into childhood and begins to feel a dawning sense of his own personality and power.

He has desires which often run counter to those of his parents. He wants to walk when they find it more convenient to carry him. He likes to feed himself, even if it is a long and messy proceeding.

He wants to stand up and walk round his cot when his mother is equally as determined that he shall take a nap.

The result is a constant conflict between the sometimes angry parent and the weaker child. There is one thing in this situation which the parent can't control and that is crying. The child can cry, and does cry, no matter how violently he is told to stop.

HE SAYS "NO"

This is the so-called negativistic period because the child has suddenly learned the use of "No." He is more than apt to say "No" to almost anything that is asked of him. "Have a nice, cool drink of water," says mother. The child says: "I don't want a drink." Five minutes later he demands a drink. "Why didn't you take it when I offered it to you?" says his exasperated mother. "You just want to make work for me." No, that isn't the reason.

LET THE CHILD CHOOSE

The child wanted to choose his own time for drinking. He wanted to feel that not his mother's suggestions but his own desires were being followed. Not that the child thinks this out so clearly, but he shows the course of his reasoning by his actions.

He has been listening to "No, no," for months, and now he has discovered that it is just as powerful a weapon for him as it is for his parents. He, too, can say "no" and his parents are helpless before it.

PARENTS—WATCH YOURSELVES

When a child reaches this period—some earlier, some later than others—the parent must watch herself carefully to eliminate the useless "don't" and "no" from her commands. Phrase them differently. Make them suggestions and let the child feel that he has made the choice himself. Let him exercise his newly discovered sense of being an independent personality.

LET HIM DO THINGS

More liberty is the answer to the riddle. He is still bady adjusted to his new world if he has to express his personality by crying.

Let him express it by harmless "doing." If he wants to walk, let him walk. If he wants to turn on the living-room light, let him do it. Let him feed himself if he wants to, and, after all, why shouldn't he unbutton his own buttons? Thus we take away most of the irritations which lead him to cry and whine.

What Can I Make For Tea?

When you are at a loss to know what to provide for the tea table, try this simple method of making the real Scotch short-bread—you will find it very much appreciated:—

6ozs. flour. 3ozs. castor sugar.
4ozs. butter. Pinch salt.
1oz. ground rice.

Cream the sugar and butter. Add half the flour and the rest gradually, kneading with hands if necessary. Roll out into a round about half an inch thick. Crimp edges with fingers and place on to baking sheet, which need not be greased.

Bake in very slow oven for about half an hour and cut into slices while still hot.

You can, if you wish, add currants or chopped glace cheeries to the mixture.

Keep the shortbread in a tin and it will remain fresh for weeks; a delightful standby when the unexpected visitor drops in for tea.

J. H.

Fringe invades the sweater field—and with delightful results. Anne Shirley, screen star, is posed here in a brushed wool sweater of myrtle green, which has fringe at the top of the set-in pockets and around the short sleeves. With it, she wears a checked wool scarf of green and white.

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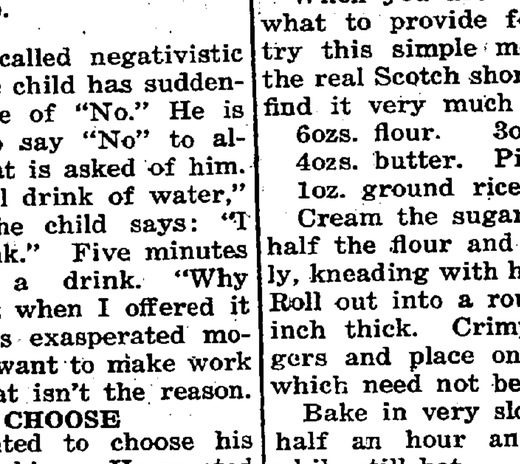

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AMERICA'S MYSTERY MAN

Mr. Norman Davis's Arrival In London

SUGAR CAUSES SWEET SMILE

(SPECIAL TO THE "CHINA MAIL")

London, To-day.

What is behind the visit to London of Mr. Norman Davis, American "Ambassador-at-Large" and one of President Roosevelt's confidential advisers?

MR. DAVIS ARRIVED IN THE BRITISH CAPITAL YESTERDAY FROM THE UNITED STATES.

ON LANDING AT PLYMOUTH HE DECLARED THAT HE WAS REPRESENTING THE UNITED STATES AT THE INTERNATIONAL SUGAR CONFERENCE BUT THE NEWSPAPERS ARE INCLINED TO BELIEVE THAT THIS IS MERELY A PRETENCE AND THAT HE IS IN ENGLAND ON A SECRET DIPLOMATIC MISSION OF MUCH IMPORTANCE.

"IT IS DIFFICULT TO BELIEVE THAT PRESIDENT ROOSEVELT'S INTIMATE COLLABORATOR AND AMERICA'S FOREMOST DIPLOMAT SHOULD MAKE A SPECIAL TRIP TO ATTEND THE SUGAR CONFERENCE," SAYS ONE PAPER.

The same paper states the opinion that Mr. Davis has come to England to obtain the attitude of Great Britain and the Dominions to the present serious international situation.

The question of limitation of armaments and an international customs agreement are also believed to be subjects he will take up with Downing Street.

CUSTOMS BARRIERS

Mr. Davis told newspapermen on landing that "America will support any plan for limiting armaments or breaking down customs barriers if a new world war could thereby be averted."

Some papers link Mr. Davis' visit to the visit to Washington of Lord Tweedsmuir, Governor-General of Canada.—Trans-Ocean.

Expulsion Order Withdrawn

London, To-day.

The steps taken by the British Government to induce Italy to withdraw the expulsion order against the Indian firm of Mohamed Ali of Addis Ababa have been successful.

Mohamed Ali and Sons, who own chain stores all over Abyssinia, were reported to have been charged with espionage, and ordered to wind up their affairs in Abyssinia.

Now that the expulsion order has been withdrawn the firm can remain in Abyssinia indefinitely unless fresh developments occur.—Trans-Ocean.

DANISH PREMIER VISITING LONDON

London, To-day.

The Danish Prime Minister is expected in London next Tuesday for the opening of the reconstructed premises of the Danish Club in London. He will lunch with the Foreign Secretary on the following day.—British Wireless.

Grey Outlook For Beaux Of Rumania

Berlin, To-day.

As a result of the recent student disorders throughout Rumania, the authorities have prohibited the wearing of uniforms by political groups.

Rumania's wide variety of political shirts, which include black, white, blue, green, yellow, lavender, brown and red, will therefore be seen no more.

Commenting on the decree in amusing strain, the "Deutsche Allegemeine Zeitung" says that it will undoubtedly entail sartorial difficulties, since the only remaining colour which can be safely worn in Rumania without breaking the law is grey.—Trans-Ocean.

RECENT VIENNA DISORDERS

Case Against Accused Fails

Vienna, To-day.

The first of nearly 100 persons arrested in Vienna in connexion with the disorderly scenes which marked the visit to the Austrian capital of the German Foreign Minister, Baron von Neurath, were brought before the court yesterday.

The prisoners were accused of inciting the populace to disorder.

The first batch brought before the court were found Not Guilty owing to insufficient evidence. — Trans-Ocean.

Shanghai, To-day.

After conferring with the military and civil chiefs of different provinces at Hangchow, Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek is proposing to visit Canton to inspect the military and civil affairs of Kwangtung according to a semi-official report. The report says he will leave Hangchow by air in the middle of April. —*Our Own Correspondent.*

BRITAIN'S BUDGET

London, To-day.

Great Britain ended the financial year 1936-1937 with a deficit of £5,500,000.

So stated the Chancellor of the Exchequer, Mr. Neville Chamberlain, in an official statement.

Revenue totalled £797,289,000 and expenditure £802,886,000.

The deficit, the Treasury stated, was due to the increased expenditure on armaments.—Trans-Ocean.

TIGHTENING UP COLLECTION SYSTEM

London, To-day.

Plans for the general tightening up of the collection of income and other taxes has been announced by the Chancellor of the Exchequer, Mr. Neville Chamberlain.

Theatre directors have been requested to estimate the amounts received in tips by ushers, and hotels and clubs are required to provide similar information.

Large firms must submit lists of all those receiving Christmas bonuses and special financial renumeration.—Trans-Ocean.

INDIA DUTIES ON RAYON

Increased On All But British Goods

New Delhi, To-day.

The import duty on artificial silk fabrics and art silk mixture fabrics has been increased by approximately one anna a square yard from tomorrow.

Goods of British manufacture in all cases are excluded from the increased duties.—Reuter.

CANTON JUDGE RESIGNS

Mr. Sze Yen-ching, Chief Judge of the Kwangtung High Court, has tendered his resignation, and it is reported that Mr. Tang Ching-yang, Chancellor of the Kwangtung Law College, will be appointed to succeed him.

Free State And Imperial Conference

Dublin, To-day.

Mr. Eamonn de Valera, President of the Irish Free State, declared in the Dail yesterday that "under prevailing circumstances" attendance at the forthcoming Imperial Conference in London would have no value for the Free State.

The Free State Government had neither accepted nor declined London's invitation to attend, but had not made any suggestions to Britain regarding the Conference. — Trans-Ocean.

EMPLOYMENT IN BRITAIN

LATEST FIGURES

London, To-day.

The Ministry of Labour estimates that at March 15, the number of insured persons in employment in Great Britain, exclusive of persons within the agricultural scheme, was approximately 11,242,000.

This was 55,000 more than the month before and 553,000 more than the year before.

Adverse weather conditions on several days affected matters adversely, especially in Northern England and Scotland, but nevertheless employment showed an improvement over the previous month in most of the principal industries.

At the same date, the number of registered unemployed totalled 1,601,201, comprising 1,359,556 wholly unemployed, 167,677 temporarily off, and 73,968 normally in casual employment and including about 20,000 previously unemployed but registered in March for the first time as the result of arrangements under the last Unemployment Assistance Act.

A further increase in registration from the same cause may occur in April.

The total of unemployed on March 15 despite this additional registration was 26,644 less than at February 22 and 280,330 less than at March 23, 1936.—British Wireless.

The Weather Of March, 1937.

The weather in Hong Kong during the month was almost continuously cloudy and damp, with frequent drizzle; fog occurred on 12 days. The N. E. monsoon prevailed during the earlier part of the month, and temperature was normal. An incursion of southerly winds on the 10th brought very warm weather, the N. E. monsoon set in again on the 11th with a rapid fall in temperature. The 24th was another very warm day; temperature fell again on the 25th and remained below normal until the end of the month.

The mean temperature for the month was 64.7 deg. F., which is 1.6 deg. above normal. A maximum of 81.2 deg. was recorded on the 24th and a minimum of 51.0 deg. on the 12th. The mean relative humidity was 89 per cent., against a normal of 83 per cent.

Only 53 hours of sunshine was recorded, which is 42 hours below normal. 17 days were completely sunless.

The total rainfall was 3.45 inches against a normal of 2.93 inches. Some rain or drizzle fell on every day of the month except 6, but the only heavy fall took place during a thundersorm on the 21st, when 1.40 inches fell in an hour.

The maximum wind velocity in a gust was 51 m.p.h. at 4 a.m. on the 5th.

Ng Sang was sentenced to three months' imprisonment by Mr. W. Schofield at the Central Magistracy this morning, when he pleaded guilty to returning from banishment.

Defendant, who was banished for 10 years on March 19, 1928, said that he had miscounted the years.

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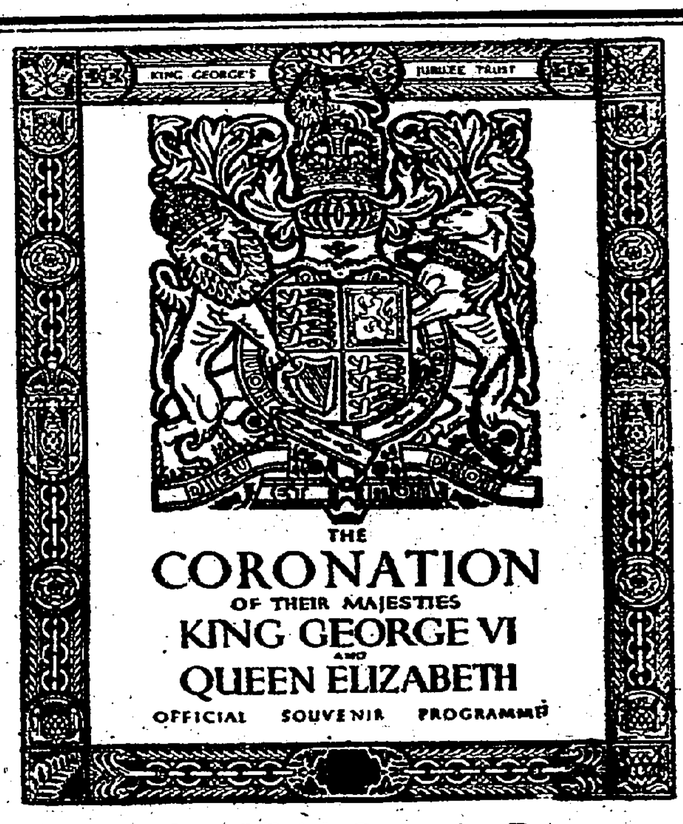

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SHIPPING IN THE FAR EAST

The precise significance of the recent announcement of a special inquiry into the problems besetting British shipping interests in the Far East has not been made clear. The one thing practically certain is that the committee will have no concern with such matters as Hong Kong coastal shipping, although it is possible that if changes there are as a result of the study, Hong Kong will notice them in the form of new competition with the crack German and Italian liners recently put on to the Far Eastern run from Europe.

The safest assumption, however, is that the enquiry forms part of the general survey of the oceans in view of the repeated warnings that British shipping is facing a serious situation as the result of heavily subsidised competition. Foreign discrimination has recently been brought home in forceful ways. While British tonnage has fallen, that owned in foreign countries has been rising to unprecedented heights, and there is no sign of a cessation either in building or in building new ships principally at the cost of the various governments.

One of the special concerns of to-day is the vanishing flag of Britain in the Pacific, in the face of intense Japanese and American competition. While British tonnage has been shrinking, American tonnage has increased since 1929 at a cost of something like £1,000,000,000 to the U.S. Government in subsidies. This was part of a well-devised scheme at a critical moment to take from Great Britain her supremacy as the world's greatest trade and passenger carrier, and the result has been that "where the liner services of the United States compete with British liner services, the latter have had the utmost difficulty in meeting the threat to their existence." Sir Archibald Hurd in a recent article mentioned the Pacific liner service in this connection, and added that while it is a case in point it is not the only one. No doubt the great liner services through the Suez Canal with their branches will emphasise this very emphatically, and will be heard when the question of subsidising British companies is being discussed in the Imperial Conference. The interesting point, however, is that foreign subsidies are presenting the Powers concerned in this competition with Great Britain with some very serious problems.

It is one thing to subsidise shipping on the vast scale employed by the United States, but it is another to keep the increased tonnage up to date and fully employed. Vessels become obsolete, and competition is by no means suppressed because competitors may be hard hit. Sir Archibald Hurd quotes Mr. Bates, chairman of the Liverpool Owners' Association, to the effect that for the years 1922 to 1935 American shipping has lost ground notwithstanding the tremendous efforts and stupendous cost to gain and hold a dominant place in the world. And now has come the problem of replacement and of the need for further massive expenditure. British unsubsidised shipping may have been hard hit because other nations have been joining in this very costly business of uneconomic competition, but she has not yet begun to meet her rivals with their own weapons. The British lion may have wounds to lick in that shipping tonnage has been reduced, and the actual number of vessels has been reduced. But Britain is wide awake and moving at last, so that the nations at large, and Germany in particular, have been startled and profoundly impressed with her defence programme and the rally of the Coronation and the Imperial Conference. Here at the outposts of the Empire we are beginning to realise what it all means. The peace of the world and our own safety can only be secured by a demonstration not only of power in the visible unity of the Commonwealth of Nations, but in the careful formulation of a plan of co-operation in defence and of hearty agreement in trade and shipping.

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Of Old School Ties

Mr. Duff Cooper has been putting up a spirited defence of the "old school tie" at a meeting held at the Imperial Service College and protesting against the alleged fact that music-hall audiences burst into laughter as soon as that type of holy haberdashery is mentioned. In that, of course (if the fact be as stated), it resembles Wigan and mother-in-law and many another established and highly respectable institution. But it seems a pity that the tie in question, if it should happen to need a defender, should have to find one in such an entirely appropriate person as our present Secretary of State for War about whom there is a general impression (possibly completely mistaken) that he represents the very essence of that conscious rectitude which the baser sort are apt to associate with old school ties of the impeccably right pattern. Indeed, it might almost be said that if there had been no old school tie it would have been necessary to invent one in order that Mr. Duff Cooper might wear it.

That being so, his defence, however able, lacks that element of surprise which is often so persuasive. It would have sobered us into a mood of proper respect if the defence had come from Mr. Gallacher, M.P. — or the Western Brothers. Alas; why is it that in this world the right thing is so often left to be said by the too obviously right person?

"Faces so cocky you feel you could smack 'em!"

WHAT do girls think of men like THESE?

By WILLIAM BENNETT

"They are always sick when they see a spider."

THE first type is a Boor.

The second type is a Cissie.

I am speaking of middle-class youth; the youth to which I, unfortunately, belong; the youth which, during the next few years, will be the most powerful voice in this country.

Boors . . . and . . . Cissies.

Think of all the middle-class men you know between the ages of twenty and thirty and you'll not find more than one in ten who cannot be catalogued under these headings.

I am one of the exceptions. I'm not swanking. I'm merely stating a fact.

We'll take the Boors first.

Most of them have had a secondary school, and many of them a public school, education. They go into a bank, a profession, or into their father's business.

On Saturday they wear plus-fours, enormous scarves and faces so cocky you feel you could smack 'em!

They play Rugger, hockey, or lacrosse, because Soccer belongs to the lowest forms of life such as mechanics and Sunday School classes.

They approach and leave the game in sports cars. And just to show you what great boys they are they shout as they race through the streets, and they steal pewter mugs from (or break the windows in) the pubs which once weekly risk regular custom to serve them too much beer.

Great boys!

They judge a man by his earnings and a woman by her figure.

Any woman is fair game to them unless she is married. A married woman is dangerous, is out to trap them.

And even if they feel madly in love with a married woman, and received reciprocation, they would never stand up to her husband because of what their fathers might say

Of course, being well fed and self-satisfied, they are usually good looking. So their colossal vanity drives them to fight for the prettiest girls in the ballroom and leave the plainer majority to make up hen parties in corners.

The Boors cannot read anything deeper than a thriller or enjoy anything more in the theatre than a musical comedy.

Their knowledge of economics extends to the wheedling of a new tyre out of "the old man" and their conversation is limited to carburettors, blondes and "blinds."

The second type, the Cissies, are not so numerous, but they hang round the neck like a clammy string of pale-pink coral.

They always have a headache at a party. They are always sick when they see a spider. When you shake their hand it is like a piece of dank cod. They shriek out when nobody else laughs, and when everybody else laughs they look disgusted.

* * *

They call grown men "My Dear."

They are always wrestling with their emotions in public and playing eerie disharmonies on the piano with a far-away look in their eyes.

Not for them a job of consequence. They flap through life in the belief that the world revolves around sophisticated dance records. They are always to be seen when the tables are richly laden and the soft lights glow. And they are never to be seen when the bill comes.

Work for them is impossible. They get far too tired talking Art and Life, and cadging free dinners, to work.

Many people go to extreme lengths to excuse Cissies. They say there is something wrong with them psychologically.

I say that's rot. A kick in the pants is all they need. I consider them a menace and a fast-growing menace to society.

Whatever is the reflection of my generation's influence on history, I, at least, shall have had nothing to do with it.

I am too busy being sick.

And I wonder what girls think about them.

WHAT YOUR DREAMS MEAN

By CLIVE ARNUM

CAN dreams foretell one's future?

I am certain that some of them can. I am equally certain that dreams can throw light on one's health and character, that they often contain warnings, and that occasionally they picture events which are actually happening, perhaps thousands of miles away.

I have analysed more than sixty thousand dreams. You might think that no two would be alike, but this is not so, for they could all be distinctly classified into definite varieties, *each having a different cause.*

First there is the simple, but horribly vivid, nightmare. This is caused by digestive troubles producing the flow of impure blood to a previously excited brain.

A child who overeats at a party is the ideal subject for a first-class nightmare.

Exactly the same physical conditions produce the fantastic visions associated with the drunkard's delirium tremens.

There are other dreams which have a purely physical origin. They are caused by the normal functioning of the body and are experienced by most normal, healthy people.

The commonest dreams of this class are:—

(1) That you are in a long straight street either utterly deserted or with a hearse in the distance;

(2) That you are lost in an empty house containing a great number of rooms;

(3) That you, or the people around you, have shrunk to the size of tiny dolls;

(4) That you are floating in the air, and

(5) That all your teeth are falling out.

This last is the most frequent dream known to mankind. Superstitious people believe that it foretells a death. Never believe that again.

Next is the recurring dream. Many people have experienced the same dream at intervals throughout their lives. Each time it is exactly similar down to the smallest detail. Usually it begins in Childhood.

The explanation is simple. When the body is tired or ill any vivid experience is likely to make a particularly deep impression on the mind—one that will take precedence over all other memories.

A nurse may say to a dawdling child: "Come along or the gipsies will get you"; or while standing on a bridge you may suddenly become aware of the dark, evil look of the river below.

Such chance happenings, deeply etched when the mind was unusually receptive, emerge later as the recurring dream that you are being pursued and cannot escape, or that you are desperately clinging to a bridge or precipice above a raging torrent.

This also is the way in which mental kinks or obsessions which persist in waking hours are formed. Such obsessions may wreck lives.

All imagery in dreams, however fantastic, is a memory of things actually seen. A sunset, or a picture in the fire seen years before, may make the scenic background of some wonderful dream adventure to-night.

I have never discovered a person born blind who dreamed, although those who become blind have normal dreams.

Repressed desires and ambitions often come to light when one is sleeping.

During the Silver Jubilee and at the time of the Duchess of Kent's wedding I received letters from hundreds of women who had dreamed that the Queen or the Duchess came to tea with them.

The impressive church services at Easter inspire many religious visions, but those I receive are all from women.

There is no pain in dreams; sleepers endure major operations and walk off without any convalescence.

And I do not believe that the sense of smell is ever experienced except when flowers are in the room or are growing below an open bedroom window.

The really important dreams are those in which only perfectly normal events occur and the sleeper takes part. These may range from serious warnings by your subconscious mind to actual telepathy between some other person and yourself.

The subconscious mind is the back room of your brain, where every experience of your eyes and ears is stored. It is all there, every word you have said or heard, pictures of everything you have ever seen.

Some of it is only faintly recorded, but any particular record can be brought back when some idea *associated with it* enters your active daytime mind.

Now the back room of your mind still goes on working while you sleep.

It adds up two and two, takes note of your health and any unusual symptoms, sums up your likes and your "instinctive" prejudices, estimates your chances of a legacy (and the amount), of success in any undertaking, faces up to defects in your character.

These two halves of your mind cannot function together, because if your daytime thoughts were harassed by the records of everything you had ever seen or experienced from the first days of your existence you would be a raving lunatic, incapable of coherent thought.

But sometimes in the flash of a split second between sleeping and waking the two minds function consciously together.

You awake with the memory of a dream which, if properly interpreted, may save your health, your life, or guide you to the fulfilment of your highest ambition.

THE LITTLE FERN

Delboeuf, a French investigator, dreamed that he saw a little fern and knew that its name was *asplenium ruta muralis.*

But when awake he knew no Latin names of plants. He found that this fern actually existed, its correct name being *asplenium ruta muraria.*

Sixteen years later, at a friend's house, he saw in an album of dried plants the asplenium of his dream with its Latin name in his own handwriting.

He then recalled that two years before the dream he had written at the dictation of a botanist the Latin name under each of the dried plants.

CURED BY A DREAM

A patient of Dr. T. M. Davie medical superintendent of the East Riding Mental Hospital, Beverley, Yorkshire, suffered from a mysterious illness which baffled specialists for three years.

Finally the patient had a strange dream in which machinery, slime and a pond figured. Dr. Jung, the great psychoanalyst, interpreted the symbols in the dream as indicating an obstruction to the flow of cerebro-spinal fluid.

This proved correct, and Dr. Davie was able to locate the exact spot in the patient's brain where the trouble was.

Dr. Davie's case was described in the "British Medical Journal" last August.

Deaf Child Learns Her A B C's

So that Joan Higgins, 4, blind, deaf and mute since birth, may have a chance to communicate with others, this unique device sends vibrations through the child's fingers in hope that she will learn to distinguish the difference in words and their meaning. Tertia Hart of Chicago is Joan's instructor.

Mrs. James J. Walker, wife of the former mayor of New York, is shown with *Slemish Sweetheart*, one of their Irish terriers which won a blue ribbon at the specialty terrier show preceding the opening of the national dog show in New York.

SUGAR SAVED FR

MR. MACDONALD TO CHAIRMAN NEW CONFERENCE

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

London, To-day.

Twenty-three nations will send delegates to attend the International Sugar Conference which opens in the Locarno room at the Foreign Office on Monday.

THE CHAIR WILL BE TAKEN BY MR. RAMSAY MACDONALD IN HIS CAPACITY OF PRESIDENT OF THE DEFUNCT WORLD ECONOMIC CONFERENCE AT WHICH, BEFORE ITS ADJOURNMENT FOUR YEARS AGO, IT WAS DECIDED TO CONVENE AN INTERNATIONAL SUGAR CONFERENCE.

M. Beaudin, chief of the Belgian delegation to the Conference, left Brussels yesterday for England, where he will confer with English delegates on the agenda.

Sugar circles in Brussels declare that an agreement will be arrived at whereby production and consumption will be brought into line with stabilisation of prices.

Difficulties are expected to arise, however, through the Japanese attitude to the Chinese market.

This might in turn affect the position of Java and Cuba, without whom international agreement is impossible.

From Paris it is announced that the French delegation to the conference will be headed by the Minister of Economics, M. Charles Spinasse, and will include representatives of the Ministries of Economics, Agriculture, Colonies and Trade.—Trans-Ocean.

SOVIET'S HUGE GOLD SHIPMENT

Destined For The United States

London, To-day.

The Soviet is shipping large quantities of gold to London, report the British newspapers.

One report places the amount now on its way as £40,000,000 worth of the metal.

The financial correspondent of the "Daily Herald" says that the gold is only in transit through Britain, its ultimate destination being the United States.

The "Queen Mary," it is announced, will have on board over £2,000,000 worth of gold on her next trip to the United States, and the correspondent says that this shipment is part of the gold despatched from Russia.—Trans-Ocean.

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Ronald Colman and the charming Jane Wyatt in a scene from "Lost Horizon," which has its first screening at the King's Theatre to-morrow. Frank Capra, generally admitted to be Hollywood's best director, is responsible for the production of what the New York critics describe as a superb film. Others in the film, which has a Tibetan background, are Edward Everett Horton, H. B. Warner, John Howard and Isabel Jewell.

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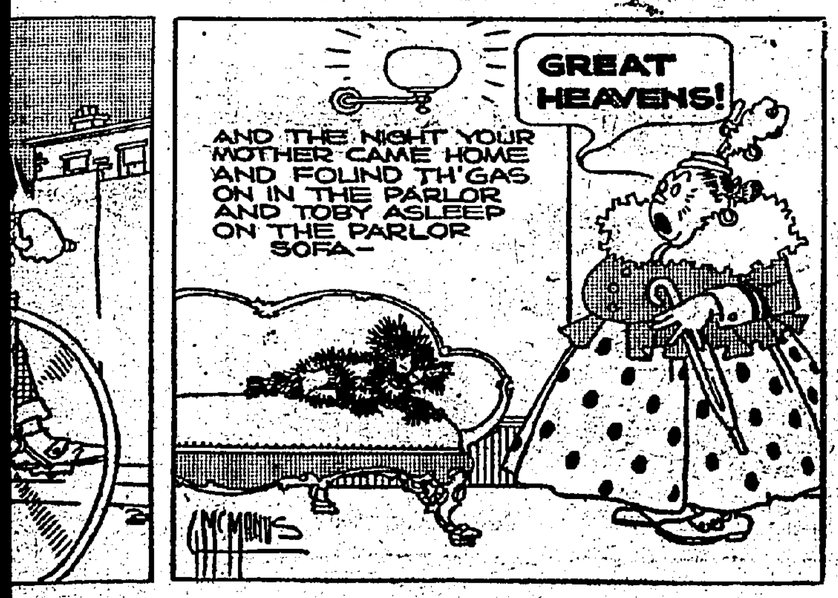

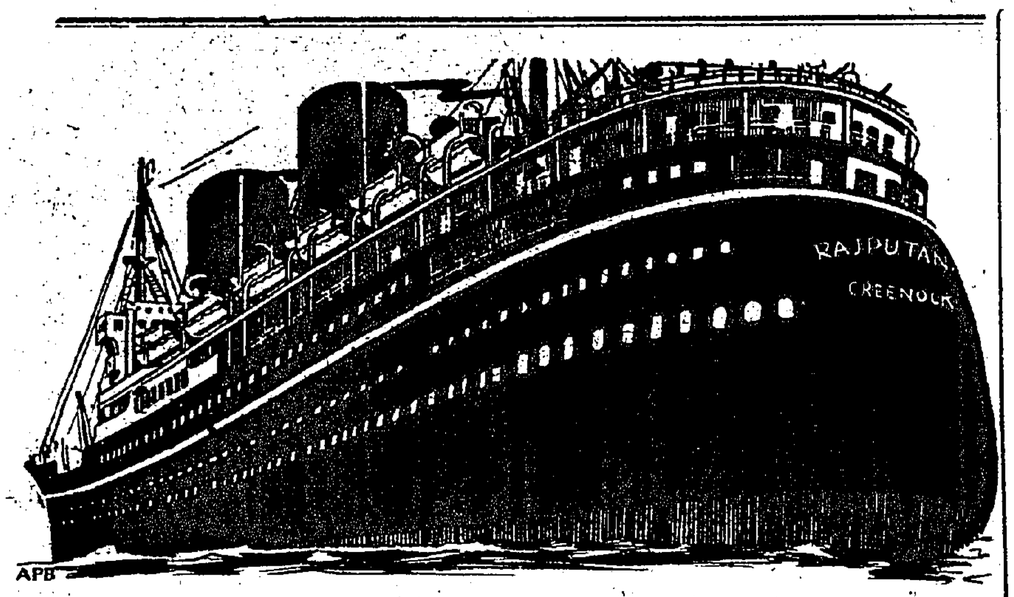

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TANDA	7,000	4th June	

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SHIRALA.....	8,000	1st Apr.	Amoy, Shanghai & Japan.
RAJPUTANA...	17,000	1st Apr.	Shanghai & Japan
NELLORE	7,000	4th Apr.	Shanghai & Japan
*SOMALI	7,000	15th Apr.	Shanghai & Japan
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Calcutta, Straits and Saigon	Kumsang	April 1.
Haiphong, Pakhoi and Hoikow	Kwangtung	April 1.
Straits and Hoihow	Muinam	April 1.
Straits	Mentor	April 1.
Japan	Nankin	April 1.
Japan	Noto Maru	April 1.
Shanghai and Swatow	Liangchow	April 2.
U.S.A., Canada, Japan and Shanghai (Victoria B.C., 13th March)	Pres. Jackson	April 2.
Japan, Shanghai and Europe via Siberia (London, 15th. March) ..	Ranchi	April 2.
Saigon	Andre Lebon	April 3.
Straits	Bontekoe	April 3.
Haiphong	G. G. Paul Doumer	April 3.
Australia and Manila	Nellore	April 3.
Japan and Shanghai	Tatsuta Maru	April 3.

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For	Per	Date and Time.
	Thursday	
Manila	Pres. Adams	Thurs., Apr. 1, 10 a.m.
Shanghai and Japan	Rajputana	Thurs., Apr. 1, 10.30 a.m.
Straits	Cremer	Thurs., Apr. 1. Noon.
Air Mail for Canton and Districts..	C.N.A.C. plane	Thurs., Apr. 1. G.P.O. and K.P.O.
	Reg.,	Apr. 1, Noon.
	Letters,	Apr. 1, 12.30 p.m.
Shanghai, Japan, Canada, U.S.A., Central and South America and *Europe via Vancouver B.C., (Parcels for Canada only and *Europe via Siberia (Due Vancouver B.C., 19th April)	Emp. of Russia	Thurs., Apr. 1.
	Parcels,	Apr. 1, 4 p.m.
	Reg.,	Apr. 1, 5 p.m.
	Letters	Apr. 1, 5.30 p.m.
Air Mail for Swatow, Amoy, Foochow and North China (via Shanghai).	C.N.A.C. plane	Thurs., Apr. 1. Sheungwan P.O.
	Reg.,	Apr. 1, 5 p.m.
	Letters,	Apr. 1, 7 p.m.
K.P.O.	G.P.O.	
Reg.,		Apr. 1, 5 p.m.
Letters,		Apr. 1, 5.30 p.m.
	Reg.,	Apr. 1, 5 p.m.
	Letters,	Apr. 2, 5 p.m.

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HEIAN MARU	Monday,	3rd May

NEW YORK via Panama

NOTO MARU	Thursday,	1st April.
MOSHIRO MARU	Saturday	1st May

SOUTH AMERICA (West Coast) via Japan, Honolulu, Los Angeles, Mexico and Panama.

†ATAGO MARU	Tuesday,	20th Apr.
HEIYO MARU	Thursday,	13th May

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HAKONE MARU	Saturday,	24th Apr.

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†LIMA MARU	Sunday,	11th Apr.

SYDNEY & MELBOURNE via Manila & Ports

KITANO MARU	Wednesday,	24th April
KAMO MARU	Saturday,	29th May

BOMBAY

TANGO MARU	Sunday,	11th Apr.
†MAYEBASHI MARU	Wednesday,	28th Apr.

CALCUTTA via Singapore, Penang & Rangoon

†TOTTORI MARU	Monday,	5th Apr.
†GENOA MARU	Monday,	12th Apr.

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MOMBASA, ZANZIBAR, DARESSALAAM, BEIRA, LOURENCO MARQUES, DURBAN, ALGOA BAY CAPE TOWN & SOUTH AMERICAN PORTS via Singapore & Colombo	Arabia Maru Manila Maru	Mon., Thurs.,	5th Apr. 6th May
BOMBAY & KARACHI via Singapore, Penang and Colombo.	Celebes Maru Fukuyo Maru	Sat., Wed.,	3rd Apr. 7th Apr.
CALCUTTA via Singapore, Belawan Deli & Rangoon	*Himalaya Maru Hamburg Maru	Thurs., Wed.,	1st Apr. 21st Apr.
JAPAN via Takao and Keelung.	Samarang Maru	Wed.,	14th Apr.
JAPAN PORTS via Dairen	Argun Maru Melbourne Maru	Wed., Sun.,	7th Apr. 18th Apr.
KEELUNG via Swatow and Amoy	Canton Maru Hong Kong Maru	Sun.. Sun.,	4th Apr. 11th Apr.
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MENTOR .....Due 3 April from U.K. via Straits.
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CHANGTE	9 Apr.	16 Apr.	19 Apr.	5 May
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CHANGTE	8 June	15 June	18 June	4 July
TAIPING	9 July	16 July	19 July	4 Aug.

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Pres. Hoover	Noon	May 1
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Pres. Coolidge	Noon	June 3
Pres. Wilson	9.00 a.m.	June 16

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Pres. Jackson	Midnight	June 4
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Pres. Adams	Noon	Apr. 1
Pres. Harrison	8.00 a.m.	Apr. 11
Pres. Polk	8.00 a.m.	Apr. 25
Pres. Pierce	8.00 a.m.	May 9
Pres. Van Buren	8.00 a.m.	May 23
Pres. Garfield	8.00 a.m.	June 6

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Pres. Harrison	8.00 a.m.	Apr. 11
Pres. Coolidge	9.00 p.m.	Apr. 11
Pres. Taft	6.00 p.m.	Apr. 14
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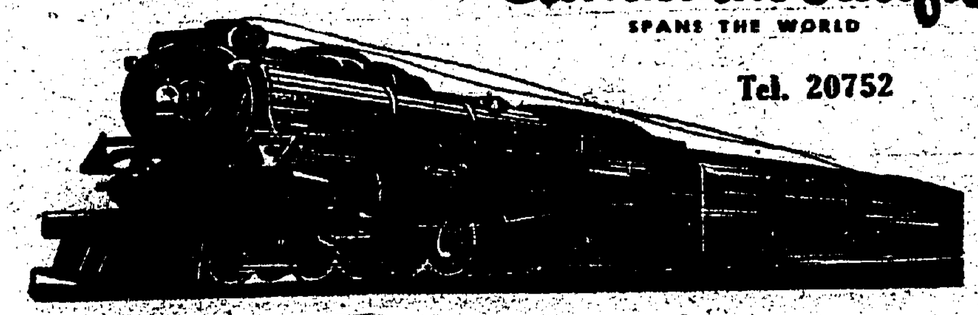

H.K. Engineering And Construction Co.

The report of the Hong Kong Engineering and Construction Company states that the actual loss for the year, after providing for Managing Director's Salary, and Directors' and Auditors' Fees, amounts to $3,048.12.

The balance at credit of Profit and Loss Account brought forward from last account is $12,747.87, which, together with a transfer from General Reserve of $15,175.12, amounts to $27,922.99. After charging $23,350.84 for depreciation on Stocks, Plant and Machinery, and Truck, and the loss of $3,048.12 for the year, there is a balance at credit of $1,524.03, which it is recommended should be carried forward to next year's account.

Singapore Raw Rubber

Messrs. H. B. Joseph & Co., received the following quotations from Singapore in Straits Currency for Raw Rubber:—

Spot 45 b. Down ⅛.
April-Sept. 45¼ b. Down ¼.
July-Sept. 45½ b. Down ½.
Oct.-Dec. 45½ b. Down ½.
Market:—Uncertain.

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KAN TUNG PO,
Chief Manager.

LOCAL SHARE MARKET

Following is the list of changes and enquiries in local share quotations this morning:

BANKS
Hong Kong Bank $1860 b., $1862/-1865 sa.
Bank of East Asia $88¼ b.
INSURANCES
Canton Ins. $320 b.
Union Ins. $632½ b., $632½ sa.
China Underwriters $1.55 b.
SHIPPING
Douglases $37½ b.
H. K. Steamboats $9 sa.
Indo-Chinas (Def.) $35 b.
DOCKS, WHARVES, GODOWNS, ETC.
H. K. and K. Wharves $116½ b.
H. K. and W. Docks $32¼ b., $32¼ sa.
Providents (Old) $2.30 b., $2.40 s., $2.40/.35 sa.
MINING
Raubs $13.40 b.
LANDS, HOTELS & BLDGS.
H. K. and S. Hotels $8.10 s.
H. K. Lands $37 b., $37½ s., $37½ sa.
Shanghai Lands Sh.$15 b.
Humphreys $9 b.
PUBLIC UTILITIES
H. K. Tramways $15¾ b., $15.80 sa.
Peak Trams (Old) $4½ b.
Peak Trams (New) $1 b.
China Lights (Old) $15.10 b., $15¼/-.10 sa.
China Lights (New) $14.40 b. Fully Paid.
H. K. Electrics $61 b., $61¼/½ sa.
Sandakan Lights $11¾ b.
Telephones (Old) $31¼ b.
Telephones (New) $13¾ sa.
INDUSTRIALS
Cements $15.60 b., $15½/.60 sa.
H. K. Ropes $5.70/.80 sa.
STORES, &C.
Dairy Farms $26¼ s.
Watsons $6.10 sa.
Sinceres $2.70 b.
COTTON MILLS
Ewo Cottons Sh.$16.40 sa. X. Div.
Shanghai Cottons (Old) Sh.$118 b.
Shanghai Cottons (New) Sh.$93 b.
MISCELLANEOUS
Constructions (New) 45 cts. b.

	Opening 10 a.m. in Pesos	B. L. C.	Sa. L. C.
Antamoks	1.30		
Atoks	.37		
Baguio Gold	.25		
Balatoc Mining	13¾		
Benguet Consol.	13		
Benguet Explor	.14		
Big Wedge	.25		
Coco Grove	.59		
Consolidated Mines	.037		
Demonstrations	.82		1.37
E. Mindanao	.30		
Gumaus G'field	.21		
Ipo Gold	.26		
I. X. L.	.85		
Itogons	1.25		
Masbate Consol.	.38		
Min. Resources	.31½		
Northern Mining	.10½		
Paracale Gumaus	.65		
Salacot Mining	.05½		
San Mauricio	2.25		
Suyoc Consol.	.40		
United Paracales	.75		

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LOCAL DOLLAR

London Silver Prices

The local dollar is steady, opening on demand this morning at 1/2-27/32.

"Spot" silver was quoted at 20-15/16 and "forward," at 20-15/16.

The London on New York cross-rate was quoted at £—U.S.$4.8896.

COMMODITY PRICES

The following quotations have been received by Reuter:—

	Prev. Closing	Yesterday Closing
New York Cotton:		
May	14.69	14.52
July	14.58	14.40
October	13.90	13.82
December	13.81	13.77
January	13.80	13.78
March (1938)	13.81	13.80
Spot	15.25	15.10
New York Rubber:		
May	27.02	26.68
July	27.22	26.71
September	27.19	26.66
December	27.11	26.63
Chicago Wheat:		
May	144⅛	142½
July	129¾	127¼
September	126⅜	124⅜
Chicago Corn:		
May	121½	121½
July	115⅜	115¼
September	109¾	109¼
Winnipeg Wheat:		
May	148¾	146⅛
July	144½	142⅛
October	129½	127½

The R.M.S. "Empress of Britain" arrived at Chinwangtao yesterday and leaves on Sunday at 8.00 p.m. She is due at Beppu on Wednesday, April 7, at 6.00 a.m.

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IRELAND BEAT WALES IN POOR GAME

Stevens, the Ireland left-back, above, gave an inspired performance against Wales yesterday in the Semi-Final Round replay in the *Sunday Herald* International Charity Cup competition.

STEVENS SHINES AT FULL-BACK

EVANS AND MOORE ALSO IN LIMELIGHT

WELSHMEN MISS CHANCES

(By "REFEREE")

IRELAND defeated Wales by a solitary goal in their "Sunday Herald" International Charity Cup Semi-Final Round replay yesterday, on the K.F.C. ground, scored by Moore in the first half, the standard of football being very poor. They will now meet England in the Final.

Conditions were not conducive to good football, the ground being slippery at the commencement owing to rain during the afternoon, and a further downpour after half an hour's play did not help matters.

The Welsh team should have been two goals up in the first 20 minutes play, both Sullivan and Grindley missing "sitters" while Coakley also had his share of the openings, but was unable to penetrate Stevens' excellent defence.

Connor was the more confident of the two goalkeepers, but this was understandable in view of the fact that the Welsh backs, Wheeler and Keating, were wild in their clearances and robust in their tackling, which led to several loopholes, which the Irishmen failed to take advantage of.

Stevens was the outstanding defender on the field, his fine positioning and accurate first-time clearances being the feature of the game. Time and again he saved his charge with a timely intervention, and if he continues in the same vein next season, nothing can prevent him from securing Interport honours.

CRUDE METHODS

Pickering did his share in the Irish defence, but his bustling methods were crude against the clever combination of Duffield and Roberts.

Evans was the pick of the six halves on view, completely bottling up the dangerous Ferguson, who achieved little in the face of his diminutive opponent, who made up for his lack of inches by a sterling display, his terrier-like methods reaping a full-reward.

Campbell, in the Ireland centre-half position, experienced an off-day and hung onto the ball much too long, while his distribution to Erwin lacked sense of direction or power. He was, however, splendidly supported by his wing-halves McGonigal and Millar. North and Wanklyn, the remaining Welsh halves, worked very hard, Wanklyn's only weakness being his distribution.

MOORE'S FINE DISPLAY

Moore was the pick of the forwards on display, his clever ball control on the slippery turf being one of the highlights of the game, which his header goal was an excellent piece of work and caught Rowlands moving in the opposite direction.

Coakley and Sullivan, the Welsh right-wing pairing, were very dangerous in their short passing bouts and their efforts should have met with a reward, but Grindley, in the centre, was too slow in shooting, while Duffield and Roberts, on the left-wing, never had an opportunity although their approach was above reproach.

Killen and Ferguson, the Irish left-wing pair, were rarely in the picture, being well held by Evans, Irwin, on the right-wing, being one of their most dangerous men.

After a poor start, Ireland secured their only and only winning goal about 10 minutes from the interval when Moore cleverly diverted a centre from Irwin into the net.

Ireland:— Connor; Pickering and Stevens; McGonigal, Campbell and Millar; Irwin, Anderson, Moore, Killen and Ferguson.

Wales:— Rowlands; Wheeler and Keating; North, Wanklyn and Evans; Coakley, Sullivan, Grindley, Duffield and Roberts.

Evans, above, the Welsh right-half, was also in fine form in yesterday's International Cup game against Ireland.

DISAPPOINTING SNOOKER ENTRIES

Only 25 Players: No Servicemen

DRAW MADE LAST NIGHT

The entries for the Amateur Snooker Championship of the Colony proved to be extraordinarily disappointing, only 25 players will compete. No entries were received from the Services.

The draw took place at the Club Lusitano yesterday afternoon, the two strongest players, fortunately being drawn in opposite halves. On form, A. J. Osmund and A. P. Pereira should contest the final.

The following is the draw:—

Byes into 2nd Round

J. C. Remedios v W. Stafford
J. E. Noronha v R. Dodge

First Round

R. F. da Luz v S. M. Cruz
E. A. Noronha v E. Zimmern
E. L. Cunha v A. J. Osmund
W. Kong v F. P. Sequeira
A. P. Pereira v E. M. Remedios
G. M. P. Remedios v J. V. da Luz
M. N. Rakusen v L. V. Antonio
G. U. da Roza v N. Stockton
H. R. Sequeira v G. Singh

Byes into 2nd Round

E. A. Remedios
U. S. Santos v C. Strange

MIXED DOUBLES BADMINTON CHAMPIONSHIP

P. K. Hui And Miss U. Khoo Enter Final

RECREIO PAIR DEFEATED

P. K. Hui and Miss Ulian Khoo, of the University, entered the Final Round of the Colony Mixed Doubles Badminton Championship last night, when they defeated L. A. Carvalho and Miss C. Silva, of Club de Recreio, by 15-3, 15-4, each game lasting only 15 minutes.

The Recreio pair did not combine well and as a result Carvalho was practically forced to cover the whole of the court. His back-hand strokes were erratic, while Miss Silva failed to give her partner the support he deserved.

Hui was again conspicuous for his overhead work and placements, which kept Carvalho on the run for most of the match, his judgment being very accurate. He was well supported by Miss Khoo, who gave a good account of herself in the fore-court, playing a safe and steady game.

During the first game the service changed hands on 10 occasions, but in the second game it changed hand only eight times.

P. K. Hui and Miss Ulian Khoo will now meet M. A. Oliveira and Miss M. Silva, for the Championship.

SEAFORTHS DEFEAT ROYAL NAVY AT SOCCER

Fine Display At Causeway Bay

MCGUIGAN IN GOOD FORM

A good soccer game was witnessed at Causeway Bay yesterday, when the Seaforths accounted for the Navy by 4 goals to 3.

The Navy fought hard in the second-half, and with the wind behind them, might easily have snatched both the points after being three goals down at the interval.

The Seaforths played attractive soccer, McGuigan and Ayres were two excellent scheming inside forwards, and Samson an enterprising leader though often trapped in 'offside' positions. Both wingers were quick and the halves presented a formidable trio, Webster and Steele were powerful clearing backs and Thompson kept goal safely.

Love, Cant and Morgan shone for the Navy in defence, and Wallace Stevenson and Black were the pick of the forwards.

Samson beat Keeble in the first minute, and four minutes later, McGuigan again place the Seaforths ahead. Seaforths made all the running and Samson netted

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NAVY WIN JUNIOR SOCCER CHAMPIONSHIP

Seaforths Lose By Five Clear Goals

ATKINSON — SPIERS IN LIMELIGHT

The Navy secured the Second Division Football Championship yesterday when they easily accounted for the Seaforths by five clear goals at Causeway Bay, but in spite of the score the soldiers gave a spirited display, Atkinson being prominent in goal with some brilliant saves, especially in the second half.

The winners adapted themselves better to the slippery conditions and were able to stand the heavy going better than their opponents, who were further handicapped by having to play with only 10 men in the second half, when Newton, their right half, wrenched his knee. Jamieson took his place while Fraser played at inside-right.

Together with Atkinson, in goal, Higley, the right back, played a good game, while Bryson had some interesting tussles with Brewer, the Navy left winger.

GOOD PIVOT

Spiers, at centre-half, was very hard working opposed, as he was, to Wride, Spencer and Wolff, the Navy's inside forwards, and stuck to his task gamely. The inability of his forwards of making any headway against the Navy defence, threw much extra work on his shoulders.

The Navy intermediate line, comprising Smith, Hutchby and Jones settled down quickly and had the opposing forwards well covered, while behind them Tandy and Launder were never seriously troubled.

The Navy took the lead in the first 10 minutes when Spencer, and Wolff scored. In the second period Brewer increased the lead with a neat header and Wolff again scored from close in. Wride completed the tally just before time, when he sent in a hard grounder after having neatly manoeuvred for a shooting position.

Seaforths:— Atkinson; Highley and Bryson; Newton, Spiers and Day; Nuttney, Jamieson, Hynon, Livingstone and Fraser.

Navy:—Pepper; Tandy and Launder; Smith, Hutchby and Jones; Le Page, Wolff, Spencer, Wride and Brewer.

"Y" SWIMMERS ELECT NEW OFFICIALS

TWO POLO TEAMS THIS SEASON?

MEMBERS' SUPPORT MUST BE GIVEN

(By "CRAWL")

There was a very poor attendance at the annual swimming meeting, of the European Y.M.C.A., which was held yesterday evening in the West Lounge, Mr. W. J. Ashton being in the Chair, while others present were Mr. A. W. Ingram, Mr. W. F. Kerr, Mr. R. B. Wood, Mr. G. Cox, Mr. C. F. Needham and Mr. R. Goldman.

The retiring Hon. Secretary, Mr. R. Goldman, stated that it was hoped to run two water-polo teams this coming season, but that this was entirely dependent on the support the swimming section derived from the members of the section. There was also the possibility of a visit to Canton, but this too depended upon the support, and the swimmers at their disposal.

Mr. W. F. Kerr was elected Captain of the Section, while Messrs. R. B. Wood, G. Cox, T. R. Ingram and R. Goldman were elected to serve on the Committee, with powers to co-opt others.

NO HON. SECRETARY

Due to the fact that there was nobody to fill the Hon. Secretary's position, Mr. Goldman said he would continue in that capacity until the middle of May when it was hoped someone else would be appointed to that vacancy.

It was decided to hold the first gala of the season on Saturday, June 5, commencing at 9.15 p.m. when several interesting events would be introduced.

Mr. Ingram suggested that the Swimming Committee should consider means by which ladies and men (non-swimmers) could be given lessons, and this was referred to the incoming Committee for further discussion.

FANLING HUNT POINT-TO-POINT NEXT SATURDAY

Programme And Entries

The following is the programme and entries for the Point-to-Point Meeting to be held at Potts' Bungalow, Fanling, next Saturday, commencing at 3 p.m., under the auspices of the Fanling Hunt:—

Race No. 1—3.00 p.m. Royal Welch Fusiliers Race.—For China Ponies. To be ridden by Officers of the Regiment. Catchweights.

King's Company, Lancashire Loom, Little Beauty, Stickypast, Latitat, Cassius, and Double Chance.

Race No. 2—Royal Ulster Rifles Race.—For China Ponies. To be ridden by Officers of the Regiment. Catchweight 168 lbs.

Canary, Leprecaun, Merry Jester, Peter Davey, Wigan, Festival Eve, Locksley Hall, Nebular Star, and Public Hero.

Race No. 3—The Ladies' Race.—For China Ponies. To be ridden by Lady Subscribers. Catchweight 140 lbs. Winner a silver souvenir.

Darien, Herga, Leprecaun, Mouche, Punch, Tom Cobley, Daylight Eve, Ike, Merry Jester, Paymaster, and Spotted Leaf.

Race No. 4—The Fanling Hunt Race.—For China Ponies that in the opinion of the Hunt Committee have been regularly hunted this season by their owners. Winners of a Country Race at Kwanti this season barred. To be ridden by their owners. Catchweight 168 lbs. Winner a silver souvenir.

Double Chance, Estover, Leprecaun, Merry Jester, Mouche, Ebony Idol, Jack O'Lantern, Magnolia, Mortmain, and Stickypast.

Race No. 5—The Royal Artillery Race.—For China Ponies which in the opinion of the Hunt Committee have been regularly hunted this season. Catchweight 168 lbs. A sweepstake of $5. To be ridden by officers of the Royal Artillery. Post Entries.

Race No. 6—The Fanling Hunt Race.—For Australian Ponies that in the opinion of the Hunt Committee have been regularly hunted this season. Catchweight 168 lbs.

Brutus, Beauty, Glorious Star, Juliette, Marina, Trojan, Crusader, Flummery, Kiola, Lucky Glitters, The Giraffe, and Winter's Tale.

The University "A" team, above, are "A" Division Badminton League Champions. From left to right: (back row) C. H. Soon, P. E. Tan (Captain), and K. S. Liew. (front row): P. K. Hui, K. L. Yong and T. C. Lee (Hon. Secretary).

TO-DAY'S LAWN TENNIS SINGLES ENCOUNTERS

Tsui Wai Pui May Not Play

AN INTRA-CLUB ENCOUNTER

(By "ADREM")

Open championship tennis matches at the Hong Kong C.C. this afternoon will be confined to the singles event. Tsui Wai-pui, the holder of the title, is scheduled to meet R. I. Withington but, at the present moment, a great deal of doubt exists as to his ability to play. I have learned from the Hon. Secretary, of the Chinese R.C., that Tsui has not yet received confirmation that he is to represent China in the Davis Cup, in which case he is likely to play this afternoon.

He should experience very little difficulty in defeating Withington, who although a sound player, is not likely to produce a sufficiently strong defence to cope with the all-round game of the champion.

An interesting intra-club tie takes place between A. Crawford and G. E. Clarke, of the K.C.C. Crawford is probably the most improved player in the Colony and although Clarke is capable of beating him, he is very unlikely to do so, especially if his backhand shows no improvement over his previous match.

W. J. Howard should give Ng Kam-chuen a close game, while Leung Ping-chiu should win against Major Milne.

PROGRAMME

Open Singles

G. E. Clarke v A. Crawford
R. L. Withington v Tsui Wai-pui
W. J. Howard v Ng Kam-chuen
J. D. Milne v Leong Ping-chiu

Club Singles Handicap

M. Pagh v F. A. Joseph

Club Championship

L. T. Ride v W. M. Barton

Club Doubles Handicap

F. G. Nigel and R. M. M. King v R. G. L. Oliphant and A. M. Mack.

F. J. Perry Beats Tilden

Detroit, To-day.

Fred Perry yesterday defeated "Big Bill" Tilden in straight sets, 6—4, 6—4, 6—4.—Reuter.

UNIVERSITY SPORTS MEETING

Two Finals Held Yesterday

Further Finals in connection with the forthcoming annual athletic sports meeting of the Hong Kong University were decided at Pokfulam yesterday afternoon, and resulted as follows:—

220 Yards Low Hurdles (Final):—1, C. C. Ma; 2, Lee Zau Tong; 3, L. Oliveira; 4, Chang Kai Chiu. Time: 28 1/5 secs.

Discus Throwing (Final):—1, V. Vargassoff; 2, J. Jolendosky; 3, B. Nilenko; 4, Ong Hiang Bidt. Distance: 96 ft. 5 ins.

220 Yards Dash (Women under 28):—Violet Shum, Phyllis Grose, Rose Pau, Gertrude Ho, Leung Man Wah and Joyce Anderson (all qualified for the final).

FOOTBALL

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their third through a centre from Adams. Five minutes after the interval Wallace reduced the Navy's arrears, but Adams countered with a great goal. A cool piece of work by Black gave Stevenson an opening and the Navy inside-right made no mistake, and the Sailors' score was further increased by Black, who hooked a centre from Wallace past Thomson.

Navy:— Keeble; Morgan, Tozer; Cant, Chearman, Love; Bliman, Stevenson, Black, Tippetts and Wallace.

Seaforths: — Thomson; Webster, Steele; Williamson, McCusker, Cook; Adams, Ayres, Samson, McGuigam and Wilmot.

SIXTH ROUND F. A. CUP RECORDS GALORE

The biggest attendance in the Sixth Round of the F.A. Cup was 71,913 at Tottenham, which is also a record. The receipts were £5,714. A third ground record was established at Wolverhampton, where the crowd numbered 57,715 and the receipts totalled £4,278.

The aggregate Sixth Round attendances and receipts showed a remarkable increase on last year's figures. On Saturday 236,917 people paid £17,292 to watch the four ties compared with 140,866 and £12,623 respectively 12 months ago. Over two and three-quarter million spectators have attended this season's Cup-ties so far.

MOSS TO MANAGE HEARTS

MOSS, the Arsenal and England international goalkeeper, has been appointed manager to Heart of Midlothian, the Scottish First Division club. He succeeds Mr. David Pratt, who recently resigned.

Although Moss, owing to a damaged shoulder, had not appeared in the first team since last season, he was still registered as a player on Arsenal's books, but the club has released him to begin his new duties in a fortnight's time.

Moss played for England four times—against Scotland, Hungary and Czechoslovakia (1934) and Italy (1935). At the height of his career he dislocated a shoulder twice in less than a year.

REARRANGED ENCOUNTERS

The following rearranged League games have been confirmed:

April 5: Stoke C. v. Sheffield Wed.
April 14: York C. v. Accrington S.
April 19: Tranmere R. v. Accrington S.
April 21: West Bromwich v. Sheffield Wed.

WEST BROMWICH ALBION EQUAL RECORD

West Bromwich Albion are now in the semi-final for the thirteenth time, thus equalling the records of Aston Villa and Blackburn Rovers.

If they win the Cup again I must recall to their chairman, Mr. W. I. Bassett, the prophecy he made to me before Christmas when Albion were in the wilderness: "I think this may be our Cup season!" writes Frank Coles. Albion had a gate of 64,815 and receipts of £3,913 for their tie with Arsenal. Both figures are ground records.

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FOOTBALL FORM GUIDE

Comprehensive Table Shows Form At A Glance

A comprehensive guide to the form of all Clubs in the four premier English Football League and the premier Scottish League will be found in the appended table. To assist in comparing the teams, details of how they fared in their last five matches are given.

The letters W, L, and D indicate matches won, lost and drawn respectively. Games played at home are shown in capital letters, while away games are denoted by ordinary type. The figures in brackets denote the position held by that team at the conclusion of last season, an asterisk denotes that that team has been promoted, and a dagger that that team has been relegated.

First Division

	HOME								AWAY							
					Goals								Goals			Pts. Tl.
	P	P	W	L	D	F	A	Pts	P	W	L	D	F	A		Pts
Arsenal (6) wDDdd	37	18	8	1	9	37	20	25	19	8	5	6	37	29	22	47
*Charlton (-) WllWW	37	18	12	1	5	33	10	29	19	7	8	4	19	33	18	47
Derby (4) wWwDl	37	18	11	4	3	51	32	25	19	8	6	5	33	45	19	44
Portsmouth (10) dwlDW	37	19	13	3	3	39	25	29	18	4	7	7	21	30	15	44
M'dlesboro' (14) Wlwdd	37	18	13	0	5	46	17	31	19	5	11	3	23	32	13	44
M'chester C. (9) Wdwdw	35	18	13	1	4	48	18	30	17	3	6	8	30	34	14	44
Brentford (5) lWDld	36	18	13	1	4	43	16	30	18	3	9	6	20	30	12	42
Sunderland (1) lDWld	36	17	15	1	1	47	18	31	19	2	13	4	23	46	8	39
Chelsea (8) LwWDl	37	19	10	3	6	34	22	26	18	3	10	5	16	31	11	37
Wolves (5) DWllD	35	17	11	3	3	43	19	25	18	4	11	3	20	41	11	36
Grimsby (17) DdwLl	37	19	11	5	3	50	30	25	18	3	11	4	18	41	10	35
Birmingham (12) WdlwD	37	18	8	5	5	31	19	21	19	3	8	8	23	33	14	35
Preston (7) dWDlD	35	17	7	6	6	35	15	20	18	4	8	6	19	38	14	34
Huddersfield (3) lLddW	37	18	10	4	4	35	11	24	19	1	10	8	13	42	10	34
Everton (16) lDldL	36	18	11	2	5	44	17	27	18	2	14	2	22	43	6	33
Liverpool (19) DwLWl	37	18	8	4	6	35	24	22	19	3	13	3	20	45	9	31
Stoke (4) ldWDl	37	19	9	3	6	24	23	24	18	1	12	5	15	32	7	31
W. Brom. (18) WlWWl	37	18	9	3	4	36	11	24	17	2	11	4	19	44	8	32
Wednesday (20) lLldW	35	17	9	6	2	29	22	20	18	0	10	8	18	20	8	28
Bolton (13) lWWdl	37	19	5	9	5	22	33	15	18	3	8	7	20	28	13	28
Manchester U. (-) lDWlw	37	18	7	3	8	26	32	22	19	2	16	1	17	42	5	27
Leeds (11) LlDlW	36	18	11	4	3	36	20	25	18	1	17	0	15	50	2	27

Second Division

	HOME								AWAY							
					Goals								Goals			Pts. Tl.
	P	P	W	L	D	F	A	Pts	P	W	L	D	F	A		Pts
Blackpool (10) WlLWl	38	18	13	3	2	44	20	28	20	10	8	2	39	29	22	50
Bury (14) WlWWl	38	20	11	5	4	37	20	26	18	9	7	2	24	29	20	46
Leicester (6) lWdDL	36	18	11	3	4	57	30	26	18	7	7	4	23	30	18	44
†A. Villa (-) dWwwL	37	18	9	3	6	45	21	24	19	7	6	6	33	24	20	44
Plymouth (7) DdLld	36	17	11	1	5	35	21	25	19	6	7	6	27	27	18	43
Sheffield U. (3) lWdWw	37	19	14	2	3	40	10	31	18	3	9	6	20	29	12	43
Fulham (9) dLdlw	37	18	10	5	3	33	25	23	19	6	6	7	33	33	19	42
Newcastle (8) WwDLw	38	20	9	8	3	41	23	21	18	8	8	2	30	38	20	41
*Coventry (-) lWldL	36	19	10	4	5	32	15	25	17	4	7	6	20	19	14	39
West Ham (5) DlWDd	37	19	11	3	5	39	14	27	18	4	10	4	19	30	12	39
Tottenham (5) DwWlW	36	19	11	5	3	47	25	25	17	5	9	3	25	27	13	38
*Chesterfield (-) lLwWd	37	19	12	4	3	39	23	27	18	3	10	5	28	47	11	38
†Blackburn (-) WdLlw	37	20	10	6	4	41	27	24	17	4	8	5	12	20	13	37
Burnley (15) lWdDw	37	19	9	5	5	32	21	23	18	4	10	4	18	45	12	35
*Barnsley (0) WWdwD	37	19	10	3	6	31	28	26	18	2	13	3	16	31	7	33
Norwich (11) WWDWl	37	19	6	7	6	24	27	18	18	5	9	4	19	31	14	32
S'mpton (17) lDllD	37	19	9	4	6	31	20	24	18	2	13	3	16	38	7	31
Swansea (13) lWdWl	36	17	12	4	1	30	12	25	19	1	14	4	9	46	6	31
Bradford (15) dlWDW	38	20	9	8	3	32	35	21	18	2	12	4	13	47	8	29
B'ford C. (12) lDLll	38	19	7	5	7	27	25	21	19	1	14	4	18	56	6	27
Notts F. (10) lDllW	36	18	8	5	5	26	22	21	18	1	13	4	21	39	6	27
Doncaster (15) lLlWl	37	19	6	8	5	15	27	17	18	1	14	3	10	51	5	22

Third Division South

	HOME								AWAY							
					Goals								Goals			Pts. Tl.
	P	P	W	L	D	F	A	Pts	P	W	L	D	F	A		Pts
Notts C. (9) WwwWw	37	19	14	2	3	42	19	31	18	7	5	6	26	23	20	51
Luton (2) WlwWW	35	18	15	1	2	37	18	32	17	7	9	1	26	33	15	47
Brighton (7) lWwll	37	18	11	2	5	37	15	27	19	6	6	7	18	23	19	46
Southend (18) wWlwW	36	18	9	3	6	41	22	24	18	8	7	3	27	27	19	43
Watford (15) lWlWD	37	19	14	2	3	43	14	31	18	4	8	6	21	30	11	42
Reading (3) ldWWw	36	18	12	2	4	43	19	28	18	4	8	6	18	30	16	40
Queen's Pk. (4) dlDLl	36	19	11	6	2	38	23	24	17	5	7	5	16	19	16	40
Gillingham (16) lWwll	35	17	12	1	4	31	16	28	18	4	11	3	11	41	11	39
Nort'pton (15) lWldW	37	18	13	2	3	49	16	29	19	4	13	2	23	37	10	39
Bournemouth (8) lWldW	36	18	14	2	2	35	12	30	18	2	11	5	14	33	9	39
Millwall (12) dWDll	34	17	10	5	2	28	19	22	17	5	6	6	18	23	16	38
Clapton (11) WwLDl	36	18	9	2	7	24	16	25	18	3	10	5	19	32	11	36
*Bristol R. (-) lWllW	37	18	12	4	2	42	18	26	19	3	15	1	16	47	7	33
Crystal P. (6) WlDDl	37	19	9	3	7	40	23	25	18	1	12	5	13	34	7	32
Bristol C. (13) WdWLl	36	18	12	5	1	35	25	25	18	2	14	2	15	46	7	31
Swindon (19) lLdlw	35	18	11	5	2	45	20	24	17	0	10	7	22	37	7	31
Torquay (10) WldLw	37	20	9	9	2	39	27	20	17	3	10	4	11	31	10	30
Aldershot (11) lLWdl	36	17	4	8	5	25	21	13	19	2	14	3	16	25	7	30
Cardiff (20) WllwL	35	18	8	6	4	28	19	20	17	3	11	3	15	40	9	29
Walsall (-) lWWdL	36	19	9	8	2	30	30	22	17	1	12	4	19	39	7	29
Newport (21) lDWWl	36	19	7	6	6	32	26	20	17	2	12	3	26	63	7	27
Exeter (22) WdWDl	37	19	6	9	5	24	36	17	18	2	11	5	17	38	9	26

Third Division North

	HOME								AWAY							
					Goals								Goals			Pts. Tl.
	P	P	W	L	D	F	A	Pts	P	W	L	D	F	A		Pts
Lincoln (4) lWdwW	35	18	15	2	1	51	20	31	17	6	4	7	29	34	19	50
Stockport (5) wWWdw	37	19	15	1	3	54	18	33	18	5	6	7	17	19	17	50
Chester (2) WllDW	38	20	15	1	4	59	19	34	18	6	9	3	18	34	15	49
Oldham (7) WDdwW	34	18	11	2	5	40	19	27	16	6	6	4	33	37	16	43
York (16) HwDW	34	16	9	5	2	37	22	20	18	3	8	7	22	46	13	43
†Hull (-) lWldL	37	18	10	3	5	29	17	25	19	5	8	6	24	38	16	41
†P. Vale (-) lwDll	38	19	11	4	4	36	21	26	19	5	10	4	18	38	14	40
Hartlepools (8) LwlLW	37	18	14	4	0	34	19	28	19	3	11	5	19	47	11	39
Mansfield (19) dWWlW	37	20	11	7	2	48	22	24	17	4	7	6	18	29	14	38
Halifax (18) LlWWW	35	17	8	4	5	29	13	21	18	7	9	2	23	40	16	37
Carlisle (13) wwWWl	35	17	11	3	3	42	14	25	18	5	12	1	24	34	11	36
Wrexham (18) LddWl	36	17	10	4	3	41	15	23	19	3	9	7	28	32	12	35
Accrington (9) lWDdl	35	18	11	5	2	39	22	24	17	3	10	4	13	29	10	34
Southport (21) DlLDl	38	20	9	5	6	34	38	24	18	3	12	3	27	45	9	33
N. Brighton (22) lWwll	36	18	8	3	7	26	21	23	18	3	12	3	18	44	9	32
Barrow (15) dldWw	36	18	8	6	4	45	20	21	18	2	10	6	23	47	8	30
Rotherham (11) lWllW	38	18	9	3	6	42	22	24	20	2	16	2	23	55	6	30
Gateshead (14) lWDll	35	17	7	5	5	47	21	19	18	4	12	2	17	34	10	30
Crewe (6) WlDLw	37	18	7	5	6	26	24	20	19	3	12	4	30	53	10	29
Tranmere (3) WlDDl	36	18	9	3	6	42	14	24	18	2	15	1	16	45	5	29
Rochdale (20) WlLLl	37	19	10	7	2	39	28	22	18	0	12	6	23	50	6	28
Darlington (12) lLdwL	36	18	5	6	7	34	40	17	18	2	11	5	23	36	9	26

F. A. CUP SEMI-FINAL OUTLOOK

MILLWALL STAND GOOD CHANCE

PRESTON PROTEST

The semi-finals of the F.A. Cup, to be played on April 10 (kick-off 3 p.m.; replays 3 p.m.), will be as follows:

SUNDERLAND v. MILLWALL at Huddersfield. If replay, at Villa Park.

Referee: S. T. Davies (Lancs).

Linesmen: P. Snape (Lancs), R. A. Mortimer (West Riding).

WEST BROMWICH ALBION v. PRESTON NORTH END at Arsenal Stadium. If replay, at Maine-road, Manchester.

Referee: A. J. Jewell (London).

Linesmen: C. R. Wainwright (West Riding), E. F. Brown (Lincs).

It will be generally agreed that Millwall have been set the heaviest task in opposing Sunderland.

Sunderland having beaten the Wolves—at the third attempt—one of the Finalists must be a club which has never won the Cup. This is Millwall's third semi-final and Sunderland have been in the last four on five occasions.

ONCE IN FINAL

The only time Sunderland reached the Final was in 1913, and Aston Villa beat them 1—0.

The Millwall team and their supporters are not in the least dismayed at the prospect of meeting Sunderland. Why should they be, after including Chelsea, Derby and Manchester City among their scalps?

The idea of a Third Division side winning the Cup was so fantastic a couple of months ago that the odds quoted against Millwall were 500 to 1, but here they are among the last four, strictly on merit.

I intend to keep an open mind for the present on their chances of reaching Wembley.

NEVER MET IN CUP

Sunderland and Millwall have never clashed in the Cup.

Their semi-final will be played at Huddersfield, where Arsenal defeated Grimsby Town last year and qualified for the Final. That match, by the way, attracted a record crowd of 63,210, who paid £5,260.

PROTEST TO F. A.

Most people are surprised that London has been chosen for the other semi-final, and Preston North End's supporters have a grievance in being asked to travel all the way to Highbury. There was talk of a protest to the F. A.

But London may yet prove North End's happy hunting ground—after White Hart-lane, why not Highbury on April 10, and so to Wembley? Preston and West Bromwich are old Cup rivals, having met five times.

PROPOSED RULES CHANGE

Arc Should Be Marked Outside Penalty Area

A proposal to alter the law governing penalty kicks will be made at the annual meeting of the F. A. It is suggested that an arc shall be marked outside the penalty area at a radius of 10 yards from the spot, to put an end to the referee having to force players to stand 10 yards away.

The summer meeting of the F. A. Council will be held at Great Yarmouth on June 26.

C.B.A. COMPLETE THEIR MAMAK HOCKEY TIES

Retain Unbeaten Record

The Central British Association hockey team have now completed their fixtures in the "A" Division of the Mamak Hockey Tournament, having retained an unbeaten record throughout.

They played nine matches and won all, scoring a total of 44 goals and conceding only three.

The following is their record:

beat Argonataus	2—0
beat Nomads	6—1
beat "Adventure"	7—0
beat Engineers	2—0
beat Fusiliers "B"	5—0
beat "H. Q." Wing Rifles	5—1
beat Rifles "A"	8—0
beat "Duncan"	7—0
beat 24th. Artillery	2—1

They will now meet the winners of the "B" Division for the title.

SCOTTISH LEAGUE FOOTBALL

London, To-day.

Motherwell, playing at home, defeated Arbroath by 3 goals to 1 in a first division Scottish League football match played yesterday.—Reuter.

Lazilil Goes Lame

Lazilil, a 1937 Australian subscription pony belonging to Mr. G. W. Sewell was taken out for a six furlongs run this morning, but on entering the straight was found to be lame. The Russian riding boy "Jack" had to dismount near the 50 yards post and lead the pony back to the stable.

MET FIVE TIMES

In 1887 Albion beat Preston in the semi-final and a year later repeated the victory in the Final. For the third consecutive season the clubs clashed in the 1889 semi-final, and this time Preston won 1—0.

The next meeting was in the second round in 1925, when Albion triumphed, as they did in the sixth round two seasons ago, the year Sheffield Wednesday beat them in the Final.

Scottish League

	HOME								AWAY							
					Goals								Goals			Pts. Tl.
	P	P	W	L	D	F	A	Pts	P	W	L	D	F	A		Pts
Rangers (2) WwdWW	34	17	15	0	2	51	8	32	17	8	2	7	26	12	23	55
Aberdeen (3) DDlWl	35	19	15	0	4	43	16	34	16	7	6	3	26	23	17	51
Celtic (1) LdwDW	34	17	13	1	3	54	20	29	17	6	5	6	25	18	19	48
Hearts (5) WlLll	34	15	13	2	0	51	18	26	19	7	9	3	30	36	17	43
T. Lanark (9) lwdlD	36	17	9	4	4	31	18	22	19	9	8	2	25	41	20	42
Falkirk (-) WWdLl	35	19	13	5	1	48	28	27	16	5	7	4	34	34	14	41
Motherwell (4) WdwdW	33	16	9	4	3	42	26	21	17	8	5	4	25	22	20	41
Hamilton (6) wwWlW	33	17	11	5	1	48	28	23	16	5	9	2	31	53	12	35
Clyde (16) lWWWw	34	18	9	6	3	35	27	21	16	6	8	2	22	36	14	35
Dundee (12) DlDlD	34	17	6	5	6	29	31	20	17	4	7	6	22	42	14	34
Kilmarnock (8) dWlWl	33	16	10	2	4	33	23	24	17	3	12	2	17	42	8	32
St. Johnstone (7) ldlWl	35	17	11	3	3	44	28	25	18	0	11	7	17	46	7	32
Partick (10) lLDdl	34	17	8	4	5	42	25	21	17	3	10	4	32	37	10	31
Arbroath (11) lDWwl	34	17	8	5	4	42	18	20	17	4	13	0	23	19	8	28
*St. Mirren (-) lWLLW	33	17	8	7	2	37	22	18	16	2	9	5	27	35	9	27
Queen's P.R. (14) WdDLL	34	18	6	6	6	41	21	18	16	4	12	0	21	16	8	26
Hibernian (17) wDLDd	34	17	3	5	9	27	23	15	17	3	11	3	20	40	9	24
Queen's O'S. (15) lLwlL	35	18	6	9	3	25	33	15	17	2	11	4	22	45	8	23
Dunfermline (13) lLdDd	33	16	2	8	6	39	37	10	17	1	12	4	26	16	6	16
Albion (10) WlllL	34	18	4	12	2	27	45	10	16	1	12	3	17	41	5	15

EASTER GOLF EVENTS AT FANLING

A. Sommerfelt Wins Bogey (Par) Pool)

The Bogey (Par) Pool played on the Old Course at the Easter Meeting of the Royal Hong Kong Golf Club resulted in a win for A. Sommerfelt (10) with a score of five up.

H. M. Alexander (6), W. E. Hunt (18) and D. J. Gilmore (6) were all one up and tied. They divide the second and third prizes. There were 115 entries.

The Medal Round on the Old Course resulted in a tie between Capt. K. E. Holmes, 87-16—71, and F. H. King, 92-21—71. They divide the prizes. There were 25 entries.

Capt. K. E. Holmes (16), two up, won the Bogey (Par) Pool on the New Course, with J. L. Adams (18), one up, second. There were 45 entries.

The Mixed Bogey Par, on the New Course, was won by Mr. and Mrs. Harrop, who were one up. There were 30 entries.

W. C. SIMPSON WINS K.G.C. BOGEY PAR POOL

Hong Foursomes Results

At the Easter meeting of the Kowloon Golf Club, W. C. Simpson won the Bogey Pool with a return of two down, followed by T. D. Paton, the runner-up, who was three down.

The final of the "Hong" Foursomes between Dairy Farm Ice and Cold Storage Co., Ltd. (T. D. Paton and J. D. Thomson) and the Hong Kong and Shanghai Hotels, Ltd. (F. C. Barry and E. O. Murphy) was won by the Dairy Farm by 4 and 3.

Open Foursomes

Second Round results of the Open Foursomes were as follows:

T. D. Paton and A. J. Dennis beat W. A. Stewart and J. D. Thomson two and one.

R. K. Collings and A. A. Lopes beat F. E. Booker and L. Jack five and three.

F. E. Lawrence and F. A. Hill received a walk-over from E. Christensen and E. W. Gardiner.

F. C. Barry and C. G. Anderson beat W. Taylor and J. McKelvie four and three.

Army Hockey Final To-day

The final of the Large Units Hockey Competition is to be played on the Marina Ground at 4.15 p.m. to-day.

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NOTICE

FOR SALE at the office of the Superintendent of Accounts and Stores, Public Works Department, Lower Albert Road, Geological survey maps of the Crown Colony of Hong Kong. Scale ¾" = 1 mile. **Price $5.00**

R. M. HENDERSON.
Director of Public Works.
Public Works Department,
Hong Kong, 31st. March, 1937.

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PUBLIC AUCTION

PARTICULARS AND CONDITIONS of the Sale by Public Auction to be held on MONDAY, the 5th day of April, 1937, at 3 p.m., at the Offices of the Public Works Department, by Order of His Excellency the Governor of one Lot of Crown Land at Wong Nei Chung in the Colony of Hong Kong for a term of 75 years, with the option of renewal at a Crown Rent to be fixed by the Surveyor of His Majesty the King, for one further term of 75 years.

Intending bidders are advised that immediately after the disposal of the lot the Purchaser (if not the applicant,) will be required to deposit with an authorised officer who will be present at the sale, the sum of two hundred dollars, $200 in cash. This sum will be refunded on payment of the Purchase price.

PARTICULARS OF THE LOT.

No. of Sale	Registry No.	Locality.	Boundary Measurements. N.	S.	E.	W.	Contents in Sq. Ft.	Annual Rental	Upset Price.
			ft.	ft.	ft.	ft.	About	$	$
2	Inland Lot No. 4954.	West of and adjoining Inland Lot No. 3636, Blue Pool Road, Wong Nei Chung.	As	per	sale	plan.	57,090	1,048	23,545

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Intending bidders are advised that immediately after the disposal of the lot the Purchaser (if not the applicant,) will be required to deposit with an authorised officer who will be present at the sale, the sum of two hundred dollars, $200 in cash. This sum will be refunded on payment of the Purchase price.

PARTICULARS OF THE LOT

No. of Sale.	Registry No.	Locality.	Boundary Measurements. N.	S.	E.	W.	Contents in Square feet.	Annual Rental	Upset Price.
			ft.	ft.	ft	ft.	about	$	$
1	New Kowloon Inland Lot No. 2474.	Castle Peak Road, Lai Chi Kok.	As	per	sale	plan.	2,800	38	1,680

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PARTICULARS OF THE LOT.

No. of Sale	Registry No.	Locality.	Boundary Measurements N	S	E	W	Contents in Sq. feet.	Annual Rental	Upset price.
			ft.	ft.	ft.	ft.	about	$	$
2	Kowloon Inland Lot No. 399.	Between Kowloon Inland Lots Nos. 3609 and 3756, Lai Chi Kok Road, Tai Kok Tsui.	As per sale plan.				2,388	44	10,740

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Optional cargo will be landed here, unless notice has been given 24 hours prior to vessel's arrival.

No claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godown, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 3rd. prox. will be subject to rent.

All claims against the vessel must be presented to the undersigned within 8 days from the date of discharges of cargo, otherwise they will not be recognized.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 1st. prox. at 10 a.m. by our surveyors Messrs. Goddard & Douglas in the presence of Consignees concerned.

In the case of dutiable cargo, consignees are requested to inform the Imports & Exports Office that they have such goods for examination.

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Bill of Lading will be countersigned by

LLOYD TRIESTINO
Queen's Building.
Hong Kong, 27th March, 1937.

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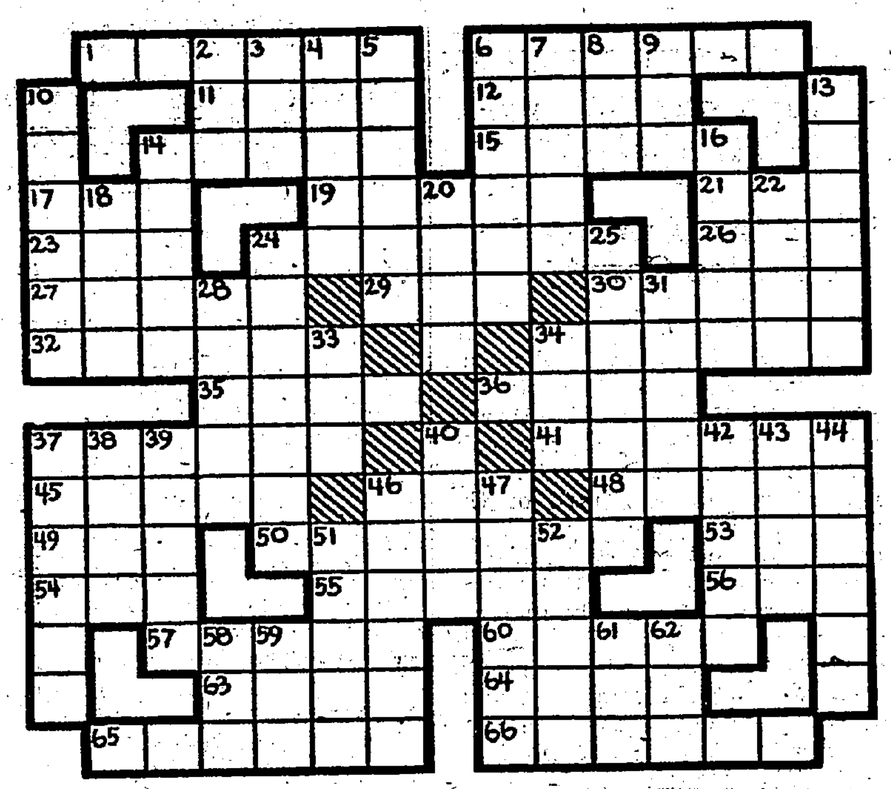
DAILY CROSS-WORD PUZZLE

This cross-world puzzle has been made by an expert but our readers are warned to look out for occasional phonetic spelling, such as harbor, plow, and altho.



HORIZONTAL
1–Old-fashioned
6–Withered
11–Greek god of love
12–Girl's name
14–Aver
15–Harvests
17–Combining form. New
19–The philosophy of morals
21–Cure hides
23–A fish
24–Agrees
26–An insect
27–The natural fat
29–A type measure (pl.)
30–Card (Fr.)
32–Withdraw from office
34–Cured, as meat
35–Condemn
36–Segment
37–Trust.
41–Tracks
45–Fruit of the oak
46–Man's name (short)
48–Appearing as if gnawed

HORIZONTAL (Cont.)
49–Pronoun
50–Penetrated
53–Unit
54–Very warm
55–Oil from rose petals
56–Guided
57–Soft, adhesive mud
60–Satisfies
63–Units
64–English school
65–Meal
66–Fixed in the earth

VERTICAL
2–Of age (Lat. abbr.)
3–Man's name
4–Remarks
5–African blood-sucking fly
6–Greenish finch (pl.)
7–Choose
8–The armpit
9–Knock
10–Peril
13–Gasped
1–Grades

VERTICAL (Cont.)
16–Begin
18–Comfort
20–Edges
22–Stake in cards
24–Famous French forest
25–Marred
28–Large sea-duck
31–Part of a church
33–Bow the head
34–Perched
37–Darted
38–Reverberate
39–Bards
40–Assist
42–Calms
43–Serf
44–Planted
46–Affirm
47–Rubber
51–Titles
52–Muse of lyric poetry (Class Myth.)
58–To permit to droop
59–Girl's name
61–In a greater quantity
62–Entomology (abbr.)

The solution of the above with a new cross-word puzzle will appear in to-morrow's issue.

THE HONG KONG, CANTON AND MACAO STEAMBOAT COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

NOTICE is hereby given that the ONE HUNDRED AND SEVENTEENTH ORDINARY MEETING of Shareholders in the Company will be held at the office of the Company, Queen's Building, Victoria, Hong Kong, on MONDAY, the 12th April, 1937, at noon, for the purpose of receiving a Report of the Directors, together with a Statement of Accounts, and re-electing Directors and Auditors. The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 6th to the 12th April, 1937, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors.

H. DA LUZ,
Secretary.

Hong Kong, 27th March, 1937.

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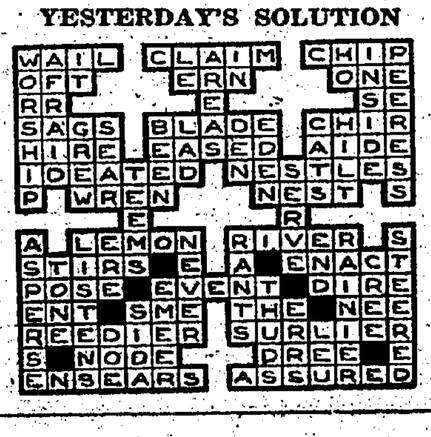

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YUGO-SLAVIAN ACTION REPERCUSSIONS

IMPENDING TALKS IN BELGRADE

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

Bucharest, To-day.

The foreign policy of the Little Entente countries, as influenced by the new Italo-Yugo-Slavian Pact, is subjected to a critical examination by the newspaper "Universal."

THE PAPER MAKES SPECIAL REFERENCE TO THE TALKS BETWEEN THE LITTLE ENTENTE COUNTRIES (CZECHO-SLOVAKIA, YUGO-SLAVIA AND RUMANIA) WHICH ARE JUST ABOUT TO BEGIN IN BELGRADE, AND CITES THOSE PASSAGES IN THE LITTLE ENTENTE AGREEMENT STIPULATING A COMMON FOREIGN POLICY.

EVERY POLITICAL TREATY AND EVERY UNILATERAL ACTION WHICH INVOLVE A CHANGE IN THE PRESENT POLITICAL RELATIONS OF ONE STATE IN THE ENTENTE TO ANOTHER, REQUIRES THE UNANIMOUS ENDORSEMENT OF THE ENTENTE COUNCIL.

This applies also to recognition of Italian domination over Abyssinia, says the paper.

The Yugo-Slavian Government, however, had taken the Council's consent for granted.

PAST POLICY

Hitherto, the paper concludes, the Little Entente countries had opposed the policy of the fait accompli and had looked with disfavour on the springing of diplomatic surprises.

In the meantime, rumours emanating from Paris that in a Note to the Rumanian Government, the Soviet had formally recognised Rumanian sovereignty over Bessarabia, are denied.

Bessarabia, originally Rumanian territory, was handed over to Russia following the Russo-Turkish War in the latter part of the last century, but was returned to Rumania after the Great War together with other portions of Russia.

RIGHTS OF POSSESSION

Ever since the Treaty of Versailles, the two countries have argued as to rights of possession of the territory.

It is believed in some quarters that the rumour that Russia had recognised Rumanian sovereignty over the area was intended to influence the Little Entente Conference.—Trans-Ocean.

R.A.F. Flyingboat Burnt Out

London, To-day.

An eight-ton Royal Air Force flying-boat caught fire in Plymouth harbour yesterday when its motors back-fired.

The machine is a total loss, being burned to the water's edge, but there were no casualties.—Trans-Ocean.

GERMANY AND CORONATION

VON BLOMBERG'S NOMINATION

ILLUSTRATIVE OF FRIENDSHIP

Berlin, To-day.

It is officially considered that the nomination of Field-Marshal von Blomberg to represent Herr Hitler at the Coronation of King George is a choice which will be regarded in Britain as a special sign of the friendly attitude of Germany towards the British Empire.

A German paper says that Germany is to be represented by her first soldier after the Fuehrer because that is in accordance with her character as a strong world power but also because she wants to answer all those doubts about the pacific intentions of German policy introduced among the British people by the enemies of Germany. — Reuter.

London, To-day.

Commenting on the question of colonies, a German paper has declared that the British Dominions and Colonies are at present sparsely populated and that Britain is unable to send men to increase the population there.

It is added that if Britain wants her Dominions to recover economically, she must find men to fill the vast empty spaces other than people of her own blood.—Reuter.

FOREIGNERS IN TROUBLE

Committed To House Of Detention

Michael De Mio, 22, an American citizen, was committed to the House of Detention this morning, pending arrangements for his repatriation to Shanghai. He pleaded guilty to being a vagrant, having just served a term in prison for stowing away from Shanghai to Hong Kong.

Natalio Kiel, 28, was also committed to the House of Detention. He has just been released after serving a term of three months, for stowing away from Shanghai. He claims to have been born in Buenos Aires.

K.C.R. PETITION

Shanghai, To-day.

In reply to the petition of the families of victims of the Canton-Kowloon Railway fire disaster, asking for compensation, Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek has instructed the Minister of Railways to study the matter.—*Our Own Correspondent.*

FINE REDUCED

To Go As Additional Compensation

On the application of Mr. C. Y. Kwan, Mr. W. Schofield, at the Central Magistracy, reduced by $150 the fine of $200 imposed on Tsoi Fei, on March 23, when he was found guilty of driving without care and caution at the junction of Pokfulum Road and Queen's Road West on January 28, when four pedestrians were killed.

In making the application, Mr. Kwan said that through the kind offices of the Traffic Department, an agreement has been reached in connection with compensation to the family of the deceased. Any reduction in the fine would not directly or indirectly benefit defendant but would be given to the dependants of the deceased.

Heir To Throne Christened

Oslo, To-day.

The young Heir to the Norwegian throne, born on January 30 this year, was baptised in the Royal Chapel yesterday and given the name of Harald. — Trans-Ocean.

BARKER ROAD HOLD-UP

Two Men Appear In Police Court

Quick work by the Police resulted in Li Tam-chut, 33, and Tse Tai, 34, being charged before Mr. W. Schofield at the Central Magistracy, in connection with the robbery which took place on Tuesday when a shroff and a guard of the Victoria Hospital were attacked in Barker Road, and robbed of an attache case containing $1,000 besides a number of pay cheques.

Sub-Inspector E. Whant, in charge of the case, said that the cheques and attache case had been recovered. He asked for a remand of 48 hours which was granted.

BRITISH SHIP WRECKED

Reykjavik (Iceland), To-day.

The British trawler "Loch Morar" ran aground off the Iceland coast yesterday.

All efforts to reach the distressed vessel have failed owing to the heavy seas, and grave fears are entertained for the safety of the crew.

All of those on board come from Aberdeen. —Trans-Ocean.

LOCAL WEATHER FORECAST

The Royal Observatory reports that the anti-cyclone has moved eastward and now covers S. Japan and neighbouring seas; another anti-cyclone appears to be developing over Mongolia. Forecast:— N. E. winds, fresh; cloudy generally.

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London, To-day.

The death occurred to-day of Canon Walter Hicks, general secretary of the North China and Shantung Mission.—Reuter.

London, To-day.

The death has occurred of Lieut.-Gen. Sir Skipton Hill Climo, formerly of the Indian Army. He served in China at the relief of the Peking Legation in 1900. — Reuter.

Puppet Govt. In Chahar

Shanghai, To-day.

Messages from Kalgan reveal that Mongolians belonging to the Silingol League of northern Chahar have formed an independent "Banner Government."

This move has been long brewing as part of the plan for realising the complete separation of Chahar from Chinese control.

A similar government is reported to have been formed by the Chahar League of Mongols who inhabit territory further to the south. — Reuter.

WU TING-CHANG IN SZECHUEN

Improving Relations With Nanking

Shanghai, To-day.

A message from Chengtu states that Mr. Wu Ting-chang, Minister for Industries, arrived there this morning and received a warm reception from the provincial authorities.

It is stated that Mr. Wu's mission is concerned with improving relations between the Nanking Government and General Liu Hsiang, Governor of Szechuen, which have recently been strained.

It had previously been understood that Mr. Wu was visiting Chengtu for the purpose of inaugurating the Peiping branch of the National Economic Reconstruction Association and to inspect the reconstruction enterprises in Szechuen. — Reuter.

PUISNE JUDGE ON BENCH AGAIN

Hearing his first case in the summary Court after his return to the Colony from Home leave, Mr. Justice R. E. Lindsell, Puisne Judge of the Supreme Court, was welcomed this morning by Mr. F.G. Nigel, of Messrs. Johnson, Stokes and Master, Solicitors, who appeared in a promissory note case.

"I wish to take this opportunity of welcoming you back, and hope that Your Lordship has entirely recovered in health", said Mr. Nigel.

Mr. Justice Lindsell replied: "I thank you, Mr. Nigel. I have come back with new zest to take up my duties, and have recovered my health."

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CASE OF CONVICT 1174

After twenty-four years within prison walls, he figured he had sixteen good years left.

By JIM TULLY

THE State Prison Board was in session. Seated about a long mahogany table with a glass top, they resembled the directors of a steel corporation. A row of filing cabinets was at one end of the room, from the windows of which could be seen the rolling and beautiful water of San Francisco Bay.

A large picture of Abraham Lincoln, with eyes of haunting sadness, hung upon the wall.

Clerks known as trusties moved softly about the room.

The new warden, now chairman of the board, arrived. A square built man, about fifty, his face was broad and firm. His unruly hair was a mass of gray.

"Good morning, gentlemen," he said, handing his brief case to a trusty. "My apologies."

The clerk of the board, a weather-worn man, stood near the row of files that contained the records of six thousand men.

The board exchanged a few pleasantries. Then with papers strewn before them, they disposed of hopes and dreams rapidly.

The clerk came to file No. 883, prisoner 1174. He might have known the words by heart, he read so swiftly. ". . . he has been here twenty-four years. Arrived when thirty. Embezzlement. High living. Corporation lawyer. Absconded with one hundred and eighty thousand dollars. Thirty thousand recovered. Presumed to have hidden the rest. No trace of it ever found. Taciturn. Up for pardon or parole eleven times in fourteen years. Dismissed each time. Woman in the case. . . ."

The clerk looked up from the paper. The faces of the board were turned toward him. Seeming to feel that more was expected, he read, "Powerful influences have fought every move in his favour, unless secret of lost money divulged. Allen of Bankers' Exchange in line against him, now dead."

"Show him in," commanded the warden.

The prisoner entered.

His thin hands were behind his back. The muscles of his throat were contracted. He swallowed as he walked. The gray prison uniform covered his tall sparse body like a faded moth-eaten shroud. His legs were bent at the knees. His lifeless eyes were fixed. One strand of gray hair straggled backward on his head. His forehead projected far out. His noise was beaked and sharp as the blade of a knife at the bridge. His lips were thin and sensitive. The corners of his large mouth drooped. His cheeks had the watery blue colour of a freshly shaven corpse. His tongue constantly touched the edges of his lips.

He halted for a moment, stumbled a few steps more, and stood before his keepers.

A member of the board dropped his pencil on the table. The silence of the room accentuated the noise made by the metal tip striking the glass top.

"Prisoner 1174," said the warden, as the member recovered the pencil.

"Yes, sir," returned the convict in a hoarse whisper. He tried to say more, and stopped in a gesture of despair.

The warden continued, "You have been here twenty-four years. May we ask what you did with the hundred and fifty thousand? So long as you keep us in ignorance of that it shows that you are not contrite at heart."

"Your Honour," stuttered weakly the man whom more than two dozen years of prison discipline had made obsequious, "I—I—I—"

"Lead him out," said the warden.

The door closed.

The warden continued, "Allen of the Bankers' Trust is dead . . . the papers he controlled will make no fight on his release now. The governor has granted my request. A man should not be punished forever — for vengeance."

"But the money," said a member, "and justice."

"I've thought of both. We are not here to punish the insane."

The member fingered his pencil.

"But we can't allow him to defeat justice."

The warden sighed. "It's too large a question for this room. He's already served twenty-four years."

Passing with the guard through the steel corridors, Convict 1174 reached his cell in time to fall in line for the noonday meal. His mind in turmoil over what the next day would bring, he was unable to touch the coarse food.

. . . Twenty-four years . . . the same place at the table for eleven years . . . the same cell for nineteen years . . . the oldest man in the prison in point of time served except a derelict Chinaman . . .

There was time enough yet . . . he came of a long lifed crew . . . his father had died at nearly ninety-five . . . his mother, long past eighty. He would still have good meals . . and know women . . . a hundred and fifty thousand . . . they could never take it from him . . . he had served twenty-four years for it . . . no use to tell now. Would the warden ask him questions as had the other wardens?

A dazed automaton in dirty crumpled gray, he marched from the dining room and fell on his cot face forward like a man shot in the back. His pulse throbbed swiftly. His heart beat hard. "In six years I'll be sixty. Sixteen good years yet, anyhow."

He rose from the cot and looked out of his barred window toward the bay. A few sea gulls circled through the bright blue weather. For years he had watched the sea gulls. They gave him vicarious freedom and revived the dying poet in his soul. For the first year they had all looked alike, but now he could tell the difference between them. Long ago when fog clouds scurried across the bay as though driven from the bellows of a mile-high giant, a sea gull had perched on an iron cross piece outside his window. It came to his cell for many weeks, then flew away forever. Its disappearance made him more lonely. Once he thought he saw it flying in the midst of many other gulls. He strained his eyes but could not distinguish it more clearly.

"That was fourteen—or seventeen—years ago."

Her letter came three days later. "Of course I know you will not forgive, but I am weary. Things will be better in Brazil . . . perhaps."

"Oh, well," he thought, "who could expect her to wait twenty-four years?"

The night dragged in utter weariness away.

A guard called for him at ten o'clock the next morning. A tremor went through his body. He might be free at last.

The warden leaned on his desk, his heavy jaw in a heavy hand. Through his strong brain tumbled many thoughts. He compared Convict 1174 with the man from whom the money had been stolen. He was more powerful than laws. He had committed many crimes . . . Convict 1174 but one.

He recalled the prisoner's name—Jonathan Fletcher. The horror of his career was too vivid. He rubbed his eyes.

A knock came to the door. Convict 1174 stood before him. The warden turned to the guard. "You may leave the room."

He then said, "Well, Fletcher!"

Then prisoner stepped back. It was the first time he had been called by his name in twenty-four years.

"It's a lovely morning, Fletcher." The warden rose. "You've been here a hell of a while, Fletcher—a hell of a while."

"Yes, sir . . . a long time." The convict's voice fell in his throat.

"What I'm interested in, Fletcher, is not morals now—you were a civilised man when you came here . . . some kink in your brain maybe . . . I don't think you're as bad as half the men I know. You took a bigger chance. But why did you want that chance? Didn't your intelligence tell you that even men more adept in crime than yourself spend half their years in jail?"

"I—I—didn't think." The prisoner slumped.

"Come on, brace up! We're two men in a room . . . that's all."

The warden walked to the window, then turned toward the prisoner. "Something's fixed in your brain." He paused a moment. "But anyhow, you're a free man, Fletcher."

The prisoner went to his knees. "God Almighty," he mumbled. "At last . . . at . . . las. . . ."

"Come, Fletcher, no foolishness. Don't let them see you break now."

The warden pressed a button. The prisoner rose. A clerk and a guard entered.

"You can make it on the one o'clock bus, Fletcher — step along." He clutched the convict's hand, and watched him shuffle down the gravel path between the clerk and the guard, and said to himself, "Old Allen will turn over in his grave."

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In this way she can correct any weak features and take steps to make them less obvious with the proper use of make-up. You, too, can watch and observe your own features with a critical eye, and with proper study of modern make-up, you can even improve your own beauty.

I have in my studio pictures of all the stars as they were when they first came to Hollywood and as they are now. All of them show a vast improvement, and in some the transformation is amazing.

Joan Crawford, Loretta Young, Jean Harlow and Bette Davis are all outstanding examples of women who have been glorified here. Beauty, of the type that will not destroy but accentuate the personality of its owner, is a business essential to the woman of the film capital. They cannot afford to be careless or slipshod about their appearance if their screen ambitions are great.

There is no self-consciousness among the beautiful women of the screen when an issue concerning their beauty comes up. Dozens of them come to me and ask such questions as these: "What can I do to make my eyes more expressive?" "Don't you think my coiffure makes my face too broad?" "Should my eyebrows be longer or farther apart?"

One has but to look at the picture of Joan Crawford, as she was when she first came to Hollywood and as she is to-day, to realise how vitally important make-up is, both to stars and to women in the ordinary walks of life.

Notice how clearly and beautifully her features stand out now. Miss Crawford has lovely auburn hair which is dressed in a manner very flattering to her face. Her eyes have more depth, expression, and meaning. They have been outlined and defined with eye shadow, eyelash make-up, and eyebrow pencil.

The shape of the mouth is clearer, lending a better opportunity for expression to the lips, and colour, which even when photographed in black and white, is more intriguing.

Sit down at your vanity and study your features closely. Perhaps your most beautiful feature is your eyes. Very carefully shade the eyelids with eye-shadow, in the colour that fits your own colour harmony. Gray is for blue, gray and green eyes unless you have red or auburn hair, in which case you should always use brown. All other types should use brown, except blondes with blue eyes, and they may affect blue eye-shadow—in the evening only.

Outline the eyebrows carefully, following the line of the bone structure above the eyes. Brown eyebrow pencil for blondes and redheads, all others wear black. Then when your eyelashes are made up, look carefully at yourself again. Hold your hand over the lower part of your face and see if your eyes have not gained in beauty and expression.

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MOVIES MAKE WOMEN MORE BEAUTIFUL

(Continued from Page 2)

When you have blended your rouge artistically and powdered your face, put on your lipstick. It will pay you to do a little experimenting with this. Try it several times until you get the best result and then duplicate that method thereafter.

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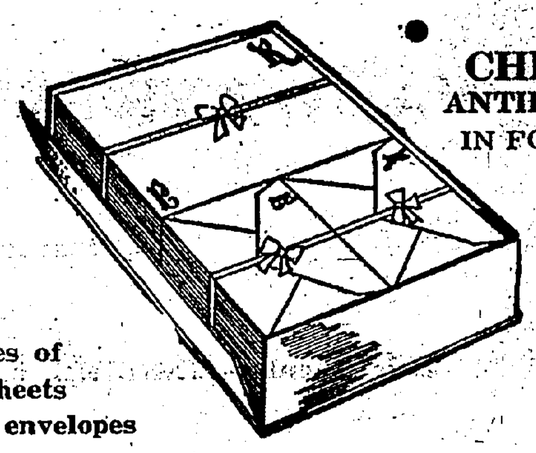

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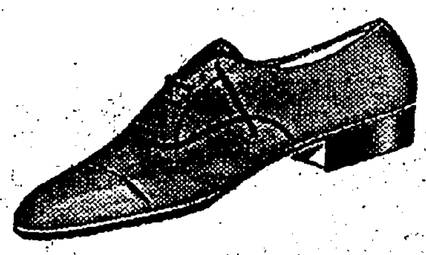

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The teams in capital letters are favoured to win, and a draw is indicated by the use of the same type for both teams. The figures in brackets denote the result of the corresponding game last season.

FIRST DIVISION		
ARSENAL (4)	v	West Bromwich (0)
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BRENTFORD (0)	v	Manchester C. (0)
DERBY (2)	v	Liverpool (2)
EVERTON (5)	v	Chelsea (1)
HUDDERSFIELD (1)	v	Stoke (0)
MANCHESTER U. (-)	v	Leeds (-)
Preston (0)	v	Middlesboro' (5)
Wednesday (3)	v	Birmingham (1)
SUNDERLAND (-)	v	Charlton (-)
WOLVES (1)	v	Grimsby (0)

SECOND DIVISION		
ASTON VILLA (-)	v	Bury (-)
Bradford C. (2)	v	LEICESTER (0)
Burnley (1)	v	Newcastle (2)
CHESTERFIELD (-)	v	Blackburn (-)
COVENTRY (-)	v	Sheffield U. (-)
DONCASTER (1)	v	Barnsley (1)
FULHAM (4)	v	Bradford (1)
Notts. F. (2)	v	BLACKPOOL (2)
PLYMOUTH (2)	v	Tottenham (1)
Southampton (1)	v	Norwich (1)
SWANSEA (0)	v	West Ham (1)

THIRD DIVISION (SOUTH)		
Aldershot (-)	v	Walsall (-)
BOURNEMOUTH (4)	v	Reading (1)
BRIGHTON (1)	v	Queen's P.R. (1)
BRISTOL R. (2)	v	Crystal P. (4)
GILLINGHAM (3)	v	Clapton (0)
MILLWALL (2)	v	Cardiff (4)
Newport (1)	v	NOTTS. C. (2)
NORTHAMPTON (1)	v	Exeter (1)
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COLN (2)	v	Barrow (0)
BRIGH-N (0)	v	York (2)
HAM (1)	v	Chester (3)
T VALE (-)	v	Crewe (-)
erham (2)	v	Mansfield (1)
KPORT (1)	v	Halifax (0)
XHAM (4)	v	Tranmere (0)

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(FIRST DIVISION)

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ROATH (3)	v	Hibernian (0)
ee (-)	v	Falkirk (-)
RTS (4)		Queen's Park (1)
AR-CK (4)	v	Queen O'South (2)
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His Excellency the Governor, Sir Andrew Caldecott (right) snapped with Major and Mrs. A. N. Macfayden at the Races at Happy Valley last week. ("China Mail" photo).

Mrs. M. H. Turner (centre) with her two daughters and friends at the Races. ("China Mail" photo).

Mrs. Schreiber rendering a song at the International Night concert at the Foreign Y.M.C.A. last week. Accompanying her at the piano is Mrs. Eva Turner. ("China Mail" photo).

Mrs. T. E. Pearce (right) fell to our photographer between races at Happy Valley. ("China Mail" photo).

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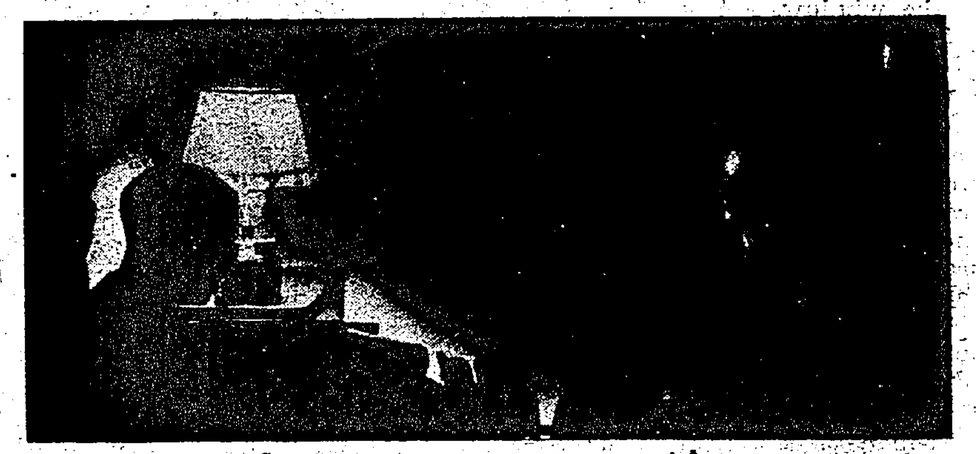
Taken at the Sailors' and Soldiers' Home during the recent dance of the Missions to Seamen. (Ying Ming.)

(On right) George Arnold, the well-known Hong Kong artist, sketching the famous designer, Adrian, in Hollywood recently. (Photo by Montgomery).



(Below) The large and enthusiastic audience which attended International Night at the Foreign Y.M.C.A. last week. ("China Mail" photo).

I would like to know . . .

. . . who the two husbands were who were discussing domestic matters the other day.

"Our new cook always boils our eggs too hard," said one of them.

"You are lucky. We can't get a cook to stay that long."

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. . . who the absent minded gentleman is who told his wife:

"I forgot my umbrella this morning."

"How did you remember you forgot it?"

"Well, I missed it when I raised my hand to close it after it stopped raining."

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. . . who the young lady was who asked her boy friend:

"Did anyone ever tell you how wonderful you are "

"No, I don't think they did."

"Then I'd like to know where in heaven's name you got the idea from."

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. . . who the lawyer was who was assisting two men in drawing up articles of partnership. The lawyer went through the documents before the final signing, and suddenly said: "But there is no mention of fire or bankruptcy; these must go in."

"Quite right," said the partners, speaking at once. "Put them in; but the profits are to be divided equally in both cases."

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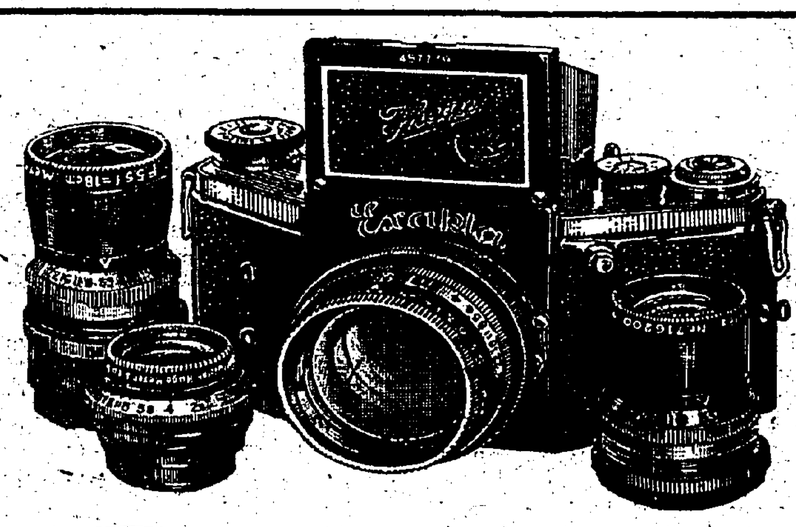

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Once in the bus, he tried to recall the day on which he entered the prison. A beautiful woman with a green parasol had said in parting, "So long, Fletch . . . be game."

He pressed his lips together.

The bus stopped at the little railroad station. The yellow-gray penitentiary, a mile away, was the only building in sight.

He suddenly heard the shrieking of a whistle. The train stopped at the station. The ex-convict climbed hastily aboard and fell into a rear seat. The conductor looked at him knowingly, punched his ticket, and went on. As if conscious that all eyes were upon him, he covered his face with his hands and peered out of the window.

He reveled in anticipation until the train reached the city.

With five dollars of prison money he entered a restaurant. Food was never so delicious before. He lingered over the meal, ordered a second cup of coffee, and asked for a cigar. The fragrant smoke made him gasp. His change was three and a half. Leaving fifty cents on the table, he went to a small hotel, paid in advance for a room and stretched upon the bed.

Sudden as a stroke of paralysis, came intense melancholy. Pulse, heart and temples throbbed with pain. He buried his face in the pillow.

"I'll wait till to-morrow," he thought. "It's only twenty miles."

He left the room at daylight and hurried by street car to where he had hidden the money.

At the end of five days he still haunted the environs in search of a spot that grew more and more vague in his mind.

Rows of houses now stood where a grove of eucalyptus trees had grown near the sea. After hours of aimless wandering, he gazed forlornly about, then fell on his knees and pawed the ground.

"It's further down . . . I know . . . it's in a metal box . . . I can't miss it . . . just a little time's all it takes . . . just a little time . . . it'll not be long now . . . just a little time."

He stood erect with an effort of will. "I can't miss it—I'm just too impatient."

"I'll sleep for a while . . . I'll find it in the morning."

He could not sleep. He sat erect—looked at the moon-washed Pacific, then drowsed again to the earth.

"I'll find it in the morning—" The words droned, tired, in his brain.

He arose at dawn and started toward a clump of rock-bordered trees.

With hands behind his back, eyes upon the ground, he paced back and forth.

The sun pushed upward. Still he walked with eyes gazing downward.

His mouth twitched nervously. His hands seemed forever welded. He fell to his knees at a slight declivity in the earth and scraped a deep hole in the ground—then rose with despair in his eyes.

He looked toward the west.

"Maybe it was down that way further—near the town." He walked in that direction. Would he ever find it? "Twenty-four years—good God!"

His gait quickened.

A lizard sunning itself on a rock rattled the dry leaves in sliding quickly away.

"Now I'll find it." His burning eyes followed the darting lizard. "It's leading the way."

He trotted ahead and fell to his knees suddenly. The roar as of many oceans came to his ears. Blue and green shadows danced before his eyes. A blinding ache came to his temples. He pressed his benumbed hands against them. His deep sunken eyes burned. He ran swiftly in an effort to drive the pain from his head. It pounded harder at the base of his brain.

He rushed to a large rock, near which the warden stood. With hands outstretched, he shouted, "You followed me!" The warden vanished. He called three times, "Warden! Warden! *Warden!*"

The ache became worse. He removed his hands, opened his eyes and pierced the scene with laughter. It startled the sea gulls above him. "I got it! I got it! I got it!" he shouted. "Put some pebbles on your hand—slap them with your finger, whichever way the pebbles go—there your treasure is."

Reverting to the days of his childhood, he followed the directions. When his right finger tried to strike the palm of his left hand, he tottered and fell.

"I see it now—it's right over there."

He rose and walked toward a grove of trees that waved gracefully. For an hour he went in a circle.

"A long ways—farther than I thought." He sank to the ground exhausted. The sun burned in his staring eyes.

There was no sound but a rumble from the sea. It now stood perpendicular. The sand from its shores fell into his eyes. Thousands of convicts dressed in black climbed up the white surging waves like toy monkeys on a string. All was now silent as a shadow on a gallows. The convicts grew larger than mountains in the water. Their hands spread miles wide as they climbed higher and higher. In an aperture between the sea and the sky, they were lost to sight for a second. Then downward they scrambled through the silently surging sea.

Transparent as glass was the water. Its millions of inhabitants, whales, sharks, swordfish, and seemingly endless reptiles whirled about in maddening convolutions. The convicts became guards. Riding their clubs, they swished through the water like the witches of his childhood on broomsticks in the air. Around their throats were necklaces of metal boxes.

"Good God in Heaven . . . they've got my money!"

He ran bareheaded and screaming, through the brilliant sun scorched day. Exhausted, he fell, with the crashing roar of waters. In his eyes was the vacancy of lost illusion. His mouth, wide open, was now a circle of agony.

He ran to the town. He saw an electric arc light shining at the end of a street around which many sea gulls flew. With burning eyes, he gazed at the flying birds. Their raucous cries maddened him. At last he saw the gull that had perched on his window years before. It stopped in mid-air and looked at him.

His laughter startled people in nearby houses.

"You funny old bird, you've been away a long time. Just like me . . . we've both been away." The bird started flying. The man became enraged. "You'll never leave me again—I'll kill you first. I'm not going to lose you ever again." He threw many rocks into the vacant air. They rattled against houses.

A crowd gathered about him. Two policemen arrived. He looked at them earnestly. "See that bird there, guards? It's flying away—just like it did before. You see that girl—She said she couldn't live without me—but she did. But now I got it all back . . . see my pockets . . . they're lined with gold. It laid out there in a metal box under a rock. I hid it so's no one could find it. You see, guards, I'm free now. I've got a pardon in full. I don't have to mind you now. I'm a free man, don't you see? And I can throw stones at that bird if I want to. It's my bird and my land. She's coming back too . . . soon as she can get a boat that's big enough."

"Won't you walk with us?" asked one of the officers. "We'll go down here a ways and talk things over. The bird'll follow us, and so will the people here. See," he pointed, "the bird is leading the way. Let's follow."

He walked quietly between them, uttering no word. His mouth was closed tightly. His hands were behind his back. His eyes stared at his feet in the manner of one in a deep hypnosis.

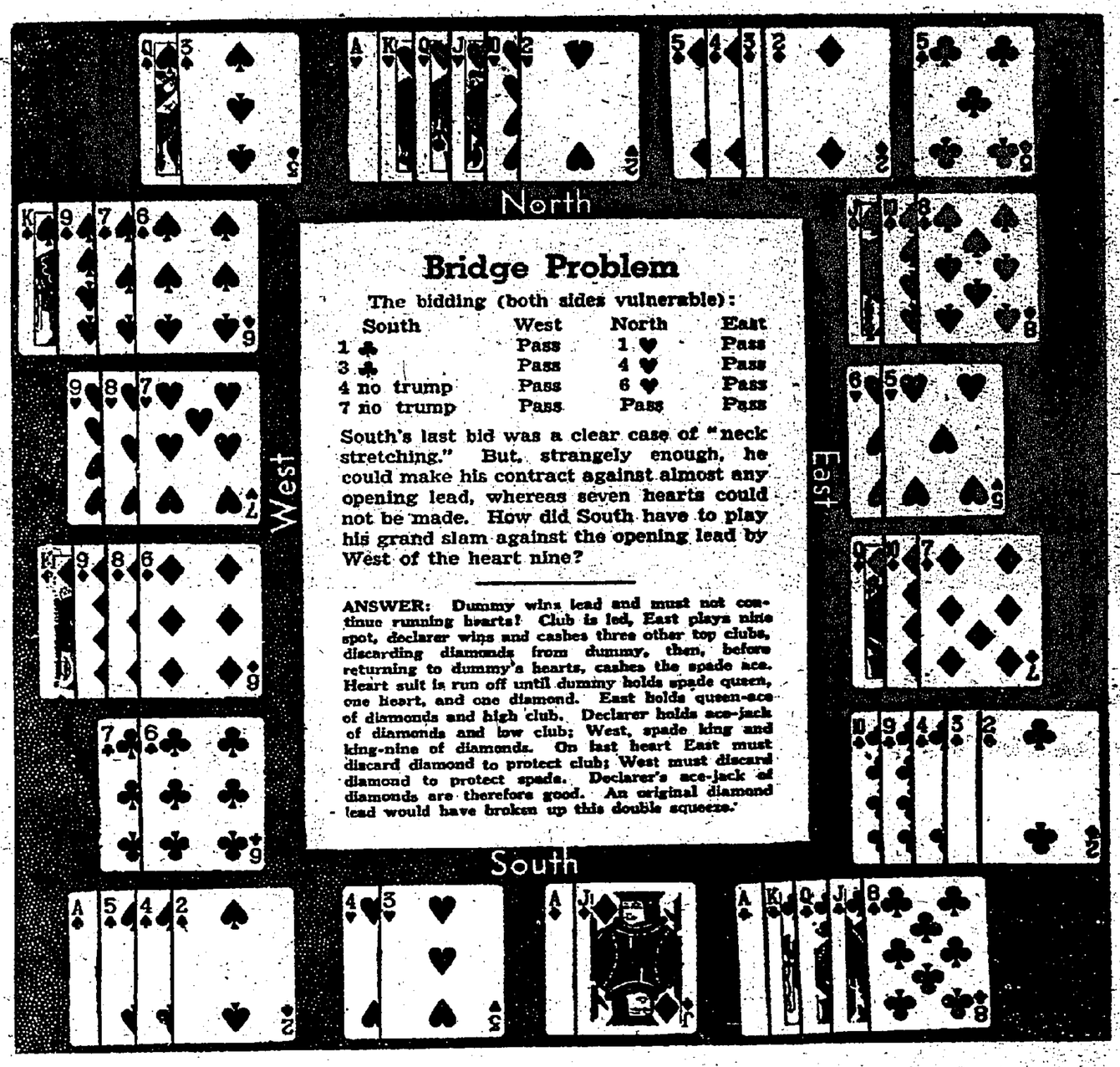
The desk sergeant searched him. He did not move. Still dazed, he went with the officers down a hallway. An iron door opened.

"Over here, brother," said one of the men. "You can lay down an' rest." He led him to an iron cot. "Sleep here awhile . . . you'll be better in the morning."

He fell limply forward, gave a deep sigh, and was still.

The door clanged.

"Crazy as a loon," said one of the policemen.



Bridge Problem

The bidding (both sides vulnerable):

South	West	North	East
1 ♣	Pass	1 ♥	Pass
3 ♣	Pass	4 ♥	Pass
4 no trump	Pass	6 ♥	Pass
7 no trump	Pass	Pass	Pass

South's last bid was a clear case of "neck stretching." But, strangely enough, he could make his contract against almost any opening lead, whereas seven hearts could not be made. How did South have to play his grand slam against the opening lead by West of the heart nine?

ANSWER: Dummy wins lead and must not continue running hearts! Club is led, East plays nine spot, declarer wins and cashes three other top clubs, discarding diamonds from dummy, then, before returning to dummy's hearts, cashes the spade ace. Heart suit is run off until dummy holds spade queen, one heart, and one diamond. East holds queen-ace of diamonds and high club. Declarer holds ace-jack of diamonds and low club; West, spade king and king-nine of diamonds. On last heart East must discard diamond to protect club; West must discard diamond to protect spade. Declarer's ace-jack of diamonds are therefore good. An original diamond lead would have broken up this double squeeze.